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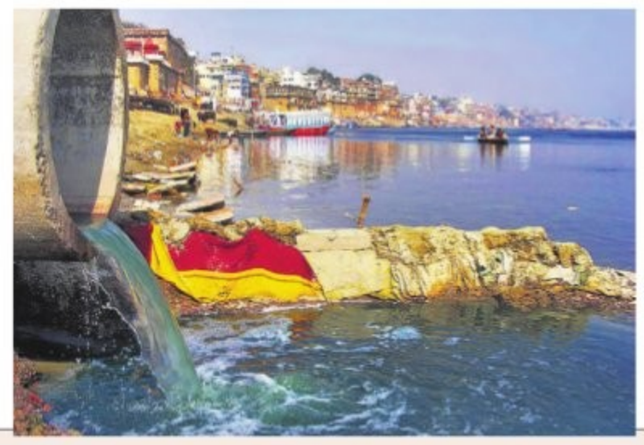

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FOUR STATES FINED ₹20 CR FOR FOR POLLUTING RIVER GANGA

Uttarakhand, UP, Bihar and West Bengal told to pay the sum for failing to stop untreated sewage from flowing into Ganga

IN LINE WITH NGT'S DECEMBER ORDER

Wednesday's move by the Central Pollution Control Board comes following a National Green Tribunal order in last December, directing it to calculate environmental compensation (EC) and raise demands with the states through which the Ganga flows, in case sewage treatment plant projects are not completed in drains or interim measures not taken after Nov 1, 2019

UTTAR PRADESH ASKED TO PAY ₹18 CRORE

- Despite the order, none of the four states has yet deposited the compensation while reminders have been sent to all
- A total of 131 drains dump untreated water into the river
- Uttar Pradesh has to deposit ₹18 crore and Bihar ₹1.2 crore. Together these states account for as many as 128 drains | **P9**

₹5 lakh

U.P., UTTARAKHAND, BIHAR TO PAY PER MONTH PER DRAIN FOR 3 MONTHS

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UNEASY CALM HANGS OVER RIOT-HIT AREAS; 193 HELD

- District executive magistrate to probe Tuesday's violence, arson in Kaval Byrasandra area
- Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai says cost of damage to property will be recovered from rioters
- Three dead, 33 people sustain injuries; scores of police and private vehicles torched, damaged

M G CHETAN @Bengaluru

A day after violence and arson broke out in Kaval Byrasandra area in DJ Halli police limits on Tuesday night, the city police arrested 193 people and registered 12 First Information Reports (FIRs) in two police stations in connection with the incident.

A 3,000-strong mob had attacked and set ablaze Pulakeshi Nagar constituency Congress MLA Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy's house. The arson and rioting led to the deaths of three persons when the police resorted to firing. Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa on Wednesday ordered a probe into the incident by the District Executive Magistrate.

An offensive Facebook post, allegedly posted by P Naveen, nephew of Srinivasa Murthy, is said to have sparked the widespread violence in Kaval Byrasandra which started with the attack on the MLA's house. Official sources said that besides the three deaths, 33 people, including 14 policemen, were injured while 50 two-wheelers and 19 four-wheelers, including police vehicles, were torched or damaged.

The three dead have been identified as Wajid Khan (19), a cook, Yasin Pasha (22), who worked in a mutton stall (both residents of DJ Halli), and Sheikh Siddique (24), an auto driver and resident of Nagawara. The autopsy of the two deceased was conducted at Bowring Hospital, while the other tested positive for COVID-19. The last rites were conducted at a cemetery located on Nandidurga Road amidst tight police security.

Television journalist Nolan Pinto and digital media journalist Prajwal sustained injuries when police personnel at the spot allegedly roughed them up with lathis, while another regional TV Journalist was injured when the mob targeted him.

Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai and leaders of the opposition Congress visited the spot on Wednesday and took stock of the situation, after which he said the cost of damage will be recovered from the rioters. **Curfew has been extended in the two police station limits till 6 am on Saturday.**

The angry mob had attacked the MLA's residence in Kaval Byrasandra by pelting stones. Soon, the mob surrounded the house and allegedly threw petrol bombs and torched it.

By that time, thousands had gathered in front of DJ Halli and KG Halli police stations seeking action against Naveen. Before the police could mobilise enough personnel, the situation spun out of control as mobsters started pelting stones at the police stations, damaging police and private vehicles. **P2**

Charred remains of vehicles set on fire by an angry mob in Bengaluru; Right: The residence of Congress MLA Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy which came under attack on Tuesday night | VINOD KUMAR T

I have ordered strict action against miscreants and an enquiry by the District Executive Magistrate

Tweet by CM B S Yediyurappa

NIGHT OF HORROR

Widespread violence breaks out in Kaval Byrasandra, dozens of people attack the MLA's residence on Tuesday night over a sacrilegious Facebook post

Mobsters torch the house of the MLA, allegedly using petrol bombs. P Naveen, the MLA's nephew, surrenders before the police claiming that his Facebook account is hacked. Naveen's house is ransacked too

Thousands gather in front of DJ Halli and KG Halli police stations. Set DJ Halli police station on fire

As mob continues its rampage by torching police vehicles and pelting stones on houses in KG Halli, the police open fire at the mob. Three are killed

Arsonists not from my constituency: MLA

BALA CHAUHAN @Bengaluru

THE violence on Tuesday night in Bengaluru East, in which three people lost their lives in police firing and several others including some media persons and over 50 policemen were injured, was "pre-planned", according top official sources.

"The speed, the scale and preparedness for the violence and outrage that the mobsters had unleashed at the DJ Halli police station, surrounding areas and Pulakeshi Nagar MLA Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy's house in Kaval Byrasandra is disproportionate to the provocation behind the violence – a highly objectionable post by his nephew P Naveen. It was as if the rioters were prepared and waiting for an opportune moment. It was like an outburst of pent-up anger, which only needed a trigger," said sources on condition of anonymity.

"The DJ Halli police were informed about accused P Naveen's objectionable post on Facebook by someone around 7pm and even as they were in the process of informing their senior officers; around 7.30 pm, Muzzamil Pasha of the Secular Democratic Party of India (SDPI), along with a group of around 15-20 people, walked into the police station pretending to be a peace broker. Within minutes, the DJ Halli police station was gheraoed and damaged by hundreds of arsonists. The police were unprepared for the scale of violence. The arson continued till the police firing started around 10.30pm," said the officer.

"The police are sieving through WhatsApp messages of the arrested to verify the mastermind behind the attack. We are also checking Naveen's social media posts," he added. **CONTINUED ON: P7**

SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS UNDER SCANNER

The accused P Naveen (25) had allegedly posted a sacrilegious post on his Facebook page, which was deleted soon after it went viral and led to Tuesday violence. According to some unconfirmed reports, Naveen had posted the objectionable material allegedly in reaction to a derogatory post against a Hindu deity which was posted on social media some time back. The police have, however, refused to comment on the matter. "We are investigating the social media posts of Naveen and some others, who have been arrested for their involvement in the riots," said a police officer.

INSIDE SHAKEN BY VANDALISM, CONGRESS MLA SEEKS PROTECTION | P2 | POLITICAL CONSPIRACY TO CREATE UNREST, SAYS NALIN KUMAR KATEEL | P3 | GOVT MULLING BAN ON PFI, SDPI, SAYS HOME MINISTER BOMMAI | P3

GHASTLY INCIDENT

Five of family die as bus catches fire on highway

G SUBHASH CHANDRA @Chitradurga

Rescue workers near the charred remains of the bus | EXPRESS

FIVE members of a family were killed on the spot when a Bengaluru-bound private bus from Vijayapura caught fire at Kasturi Rangappana Halli Gate near Javanagondanahalli in Hiriyur taluk on the Pune-Bengaluru National Highway-48 early on Wednesday. Four others were hospitalised with injuries. There were 29 passengers on board the bus.

The deceased are Sheela (33), her daughter Sparsha (8) and son Samrudh (5), sister Kavitha (29) and her daughter Nischitha (3). They were on the way to Bengaluru from Ganesh Nagar in Vijayapura. Sheela and Kavitha were staying at Virgo Nagar in Bengaluru where they worked as domestic helps.

The injured Dr Chowhan (33), Basavaraj (22) and Prashanth (23) are undergoing treatment at the taluk hospital in Hiriyur while Mansoor Patel from Rajajinagar, Bengaluru, was shifted to a Bengaluru hospital. According to the police, the bus caught fire around 4 am and the Chitradurga RTO is investigating the cause.

One of the passengers said the driver and cleaner stopped the bus and jumped out when the fire started near the engine. **CONTINUED ON: P7**

States told not to procure Covid-19 vaccine directly

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @New Delhi

AN expert group on Covid-19 vaccine administration, which formally met for the first time on Wednesday, has asked states not to procure vaccines themselves as the procurement will be done centrally.

The directive came in the backdrop of some states showing interest in tying up with Russia, which on Tuesday registered Sputnik V, the world's first Covid-19 vaccine.

The meeting was chaired by Dr V K Paul, Member Niti Aayog, along with Union Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan as co-chair.

A senior member of the committee told *TNIE* that India will not procure Sputnik V as it has not even completed phase 3 clinical trials. Also, the full details of its early human trials are not available. "Even the WHO points out that the earliest time horizon we're looking at is January next year for any vaccine to pass our safety and efficacy parameters," he said.

Meanwhile, Russia has claimed phase-3 trials of its vaccine will be conducted in various countries including India. It has also listed India as a partner country for mass production of the vaccine.

However, Union Health Ministry and the ICMR sources said they are unaware of any such deal with Russia.

The expert group, which met on Wednesday, discussed the modalities for creating a robust digital infrastructure to track the vaccination process, inventory management as well as last-mile delivery.

"The expert group discussed the financial resources required for procurement of Covid 19 vaccine and various options of financing the same," a government release read.

India is also looking to support its key neighbours and development partner countries for Covid-19 vaccines. The government has made it clear it will leverage domestic vaccine manufacturing capacity and engage with all international players for early delivery of vaccines. **P9**

KARNATAKA COVID-19 BATTLE

7,883 TEST POSITIVE ON WEDNESDAY

The highest single-day spike of Covid cases in the state so far

TOTAL CASES 1,96,494

1,12,633 Total Discharges

3,510 Total Deaths

80,343 Total Active Cases

Former CM Siddaramaiah recovers, to be discharged from hospital

Bengaluru Urban district witnesses a whopping 2,802 positive cases on Wednesday

Hassan taluk authorities to conduct swab tests of 2,000 patients a day

State reports 113 fatalities during the day

FULL COVERAGE P4

EXPRESS READ

Pranab continues to be critical, says hospital

New Delhi: The condition of former President Pranab Mukherjee continues to be critical and he remains on ventilator support, the Army's Research and Referral hospital said on Wednesday. He was admitted to the hospital on August 10.

LCH choppers deployed at Leh

Bengaluru: The Hindustan Aeronautics Limited said on Wednesday that two Light Combat Helicopters (LCH) produced by it have been deployed for operations at high altitude (Leh sector) at short notice to support Indian Air Force missions.

UK plunges into deep recession

London: The UK economy plunged into a deep recession, as it shrank 20.4% between April and June at the height of the lockdown. Reacting to Office for National Statitics data, UK Chancellor Rishi Sunak admitted that many more jobs will be lost. **P11**

RUNNING MATE

Indian-origin Kamala Harris is Biden's choice for veep

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @New Delhi

DEMOCRATIC US presidential candidate Joe Biden on Tuesday night named Indian-origin Kamala Devi Harris as his running mate, evoking waves of cheers from the Indian community in the US.

Harris was born to two immigrant parents. Her mother, Shyamala Gopalan, was born in Chennai and immigrated to the US in 1960. Her father, Donald Harris, was born in Jamaica.

Those close to her say, Harris grew up embracing the Indian culture. So, given her strong bonds with India, what impact would she have on India-US ties, if Biden wins the election in November and she become the Vice President?

Harris has been a vocal supporter of human rights, and has expressed concerns over the alleged human right violations in Kashmir.

But, experts say it is unlikely that as VP, she will have a huge impact on Washington's ties with New Delhi.

More progressive than Biden

- Harris is a California Senator and former prez candidate.
- Her mother was born in Chennai. Her uncle says she understands a bit of Tamil.
- Harris has shown herself to be more progressive than Biden. She backed Medicare for All early on.

"Human rights in India have been under scrutiny long before the Trump administration assumed office. Under Trump, our actions in Jammu and Kashmir last year and also the CAA have drawn greater Congressional scrutiny which has not impacted the trajectory of the overall US-India relations. Bilateral relations with India are not viewed in the prism of human rights alone. Hence, if elected, Kamala Harris as vice-president, though a vocal supporter of human rights, will not make a big difference to India-US ties," Harinder Shekhon, an expert on India-US relations, said on Wednesday.

Shekhon also feels Indian-American community's hopes that Harris would accord a greater priority to visa issues is a misplaced. "I think it will be business as usual post the election," she said.

A former Indian diplomat said it was important to note that Harris would only be the vice-president.

"A vice-president does not really draw the US foreign policy," he said. **MORE ON: P11**

ALMANAC TODAY

Thursday 13/08/2020 • Year: Sarvari • Ayana: Dakshinayana • Ritu: Varsha • Masa: Shravana • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Navami 9.08 am • Nakshatra: Rohini 2.50 am • Moon in Mithuna Rashi • Rahukaala: 01:30 pm to 03:00pm • Gulikakala: 09:00 am to 10:30 am • Yamaganda: 03:00 am to 04:30 am

WEATHER WATCH

MIN 21°C | MAX 27°C

FORECAST: Light showers. Mostly cloudy

Sunrise 6.07 am | Sunset 6.41 pm | Moonrise 12.40 am | Moonset 12.41 pm

DAY AFTER, PEACE RETURNS TO RAVAGED LOCALITY

MG CHETAN @Bengaluru

• Armed police units deployed in riot-hit areas • Video of residents protecting temple goes viral • MLA recalls horror

Kaval Byrasandra and surrounding areas, rocked by violence on Tuesday night, were peaceful on Wednesday after police imposed curfew and deployed additional forces. Meanwhile, police arrested 193 people in connection with the incident.

A video of Muslim residents, many youths among them from the Kaval Byrasandra neighbourhood, forming a human chain around a temple to protect it from being targeted by arsonists during the violence, infused the much-wanted confidence among the public. The video went viral on social media.

The police top brass also held peace committee meetings with leaders of the communities and instructed them to take youngsters from their respective communities into confidence.

Home Minister Basavaraj Bommai visited KG Halli and DJ Halli police stations. The DJ Halli station was heavily damaged as rioters had set it afire during the violence. With Tuesday night's violence on a scale unheard of in Bengaluru in the past decade, police beefed up security across the city, with heavy deployment in DJ Halli and KG Halli station limits.

Streets in both these areas wore a deserted look with all commercial establishments remaining closed. Vehicles that were torched on Tuesday night lay by the roadside as police, with the help of others, tried to clear them. Residents merely peeped out of their windows as police vehicles moved around.

Meanwhile, the three killed in police firing on Tuesday night have been identified as Wajid Khan (19), a cook, Yasin Pasha (22), who worked in a mutton stall (both residents of DJ Halli), and Sheikh Siddique (24), an auto driver and resident of Nagawara.

The postmortem of two deceased was conducted at Bowring Hospital, while the other tested positive for Covid-19. The last rites were conducted at Khuddus Saheb cemetery on Nandi Durga Road, amid tight police security.

Meanwhile, police who started the hunt for perpetrators, went door-to-door and picked up the accused.

Within three hours, close to 100 people were rounded up and by Wednesday evening, close to 193 arrests were made.

(Clockwise from top) Policemen stand guard next to the charred remains of vandalised vehicles; rampaging mob burns vehicles during Tuesday night's violence in DJ Halli; a group of police officers keep vigil at the spot | VINOD KUMAR T

RIOT ROLL CALL

3 Dead	79 Vehicles damaged (including more than 20 police vehicles)	19 4-wheelers
33 Injured		12 FIRs registered
19 Civilians		8 in DJ Halli
14 Police personnel	50 Two-wheelers	4 in KG Halli
193 Arrested		

Going by the TV footage, the police firing was required to save the situation from getting out of hand. They could have acted on the derogatory Facebook post of the accused in time

Om Prakash, former DG and IGP

The city police were perhaps left with no option but to open fire at the mob. It could have degenerated into a communal riot. I cannot understand why the mob unleashed their fury at the police station

S T Ramesh, former DG and IGP

Shaken by vandalism, Akhanda seeks protection

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

CONGRESS MLA Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy, whose house was vandalised on Tuesday night, has sought protection for himself and his family members.

He said that more than 4,000 people surrounded the house and threw petrol bombs. "They looted our house and attempted to burn it. This is the house I was born and brought up in. I feel sad to see my house like this. The state government should take action against them," he said.

Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy

A local leader, Akhanda (51) was elected Pulakeshinagar MLA for the first time in 2013. He was then in the JDS. In 2016, he was suspended from the JDS for helping the Congress candidate win the Rajya Sabha seat. He resigned from the JDS in March 2018, and was welcomed into the Congress by Rahul Gandhi during a rally in Mysuru. He was among six JDS MLAs to join the Congress.

The MLA, who has completed his pre-university education, contested assembly elections in 2018 on a Congress ticket, and won.

He was very popular among the Muslim community, especially after he allowed food stalls and hotels to open on Mosque Road and MM Road during Ramzan. He also served as a member of the backward classes and minorities welfare committee during his first term.

In 2017, he intervened when tension prevailed between the Army and residents of JC Nagar over the access road to a 117-year-old mosque near Modi Gardens.

He resides at Kavalbyrasandra in RT Nagar. His wife Shylaja is a former BBMP councillor.

Curfew clamped, security up in KB Sandra

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SENIOR officers, who rushed to the spot, were also targeted and their vehicles damaged.

While the reserve police tried to control the situation by conducting lathi-charge and lobbing teargas shells, they were attacked with boulders, glass bottles, and other weapons. The attack left at least 15 policemen injured and the police resorted to firing at the mob, in which three youths were killed — one on the spot and two later in the hospital. A few others were injured in the police firing that took place near KG Halli police station.

However, by 2 am on Wednesday the police had gained complete control over the situation and clamped curfew in the jurisdictions of both the police stations. The situation in the locality was peaceful on Wednesday and no untoward incidents were reported. The central police forces were deployed as a precautionary measure. But the violence also took a political turn with BJP deeming the riot a result of Congress' appeasement politics, while the Congress leaders demanded action against the persons who put up the post as well as rioters.

A vandalised police vehicle in front of DJ Halli police station | VINOD KUMAR T

Meanwhile, former MLC and BJP State Secretary Ashwathnarayan Gowda has alleged that people who were behind Padarayanapura riots in April in Bengaluru and the Mangaluru violence were the ones responsible for Tuesday night's violence in Bengaluru. He blamed the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its political arm Socialist Democratic Party of India (SDPI) for the incident.

DyCM Dr C N Ashwath Narayan said the state government will soon take a decision on banning the organisations that incited violence in Bengaluru after a thorough probe, even as former CM and JDs leader, H D Kumaraswamy, called for action against those responsible for Tuesday's violence.

Gowda, Minister KS Eshwarappa and BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel have alleged that the attack on the MLA's house and the Tuesday night incident was pre-planned, while Union Minister of State for Railways Suresh Angadi termed the incident as a ploy to dent the image of the BJP-ruled state government.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

13th August : The current serious Venus-Saturn pattern encourages everyone who favours conventional relationships and is prepared to stick by their partners. It follows that it's a fine time for formal engagements, lasting marriages and all outings with old and trusted friends.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)

There does seem to be a massive planetary contradiction, posing a serious problem concerning your true loyalties. However, as far as home and work are concerned, there is a middle way staring you in the face. It may take someone else to point it out to you, though!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)

There is some way to go before you can truly call yourself free of the past, indeed in many cases this may be an impossible goal. What does seem to be certain, though, is that memories of the present time will overlay thoughts of long ago to the extent that these may be effectively forgotten.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

With so many irons in the fire it is hardly surprising that you are hard-pressed to know what to do next. If at all possible, you should attempt to discriminate between choices, meetings and trips which are vital and those which may be put off until tomorrow.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

There is no time for a backward glance. You are famous for your determination to hang on to the past, but now you must realise that there is no going back. All you can do is resolve to create a wonderful future. You can also decide to do your best by someone who has been so loyal to you.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)

There is now every chance that you will come through with flying colours. However, if you are to be derailed, it will be because you refuse to accept the need to initiate radical change and go for increased efficiency in all work and routine tasks.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)

Entertainments should be unusual, eccentric and odd, not to say completely outrageous. If you go for the same old thing, you'll never know what you missed, so you may disregard all rules, regulations and taboos. Perhaps it's time to set your own limits.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)

If a move of home has been mooted, or any similar domestic upheaval considered, today is the day to begin to make it a reality. Initiate any worthwhile steps as soon as you can. Also, watch out for gadgets that seem to be developing a mind of their own.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)

Sometimes you just have to stick up for yourself, and you seem less ready than ever to compromise. Now, everyone who has any sense knows that you are right, but it still holds that if you fail to notice changing circumstances, all you have striven for will come unstuck.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)

Although some of the direct alignments with your sign are weak, the overwhelming nature of current planetary patterns is favourable, more so indeed than at any time since last month! As you can see, you're therefore now operating on a very significant monthly cycle.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)

The pressure towards some sort of separation is overwhelming, but is so general that it is impossible to be more specific about what sort of connection you're going to give up. It may be, for example, that all that is required is a clean break with the bad habits of the past.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)

It is rare that every single member of your sign is affected by a very major planetary transit at the same time, yet that is now the situation. While agreeing that the present moment is significant though, only you can decide whether you must put your plans into effect now or later.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)

It's time to devote much more energy than in the past to your physical well-being. As from today, you should make it your goal to get yourself into the very peak of condition - within your natural limits - of course. There's no point in over-doing it just to impress people.

THE PHANTOM

NO, MY SON... YOU WERE THE CAUSE OF ALL THAT HAS GONE AWRY....
THOSE AROUND YOU ACTED AS MERE PAWNS OF FATE, COMPELLED TO TAKE THE ACTIONS THEY DID.
WHO MADE THEIR ACTIONS NECESSARY?
YOU DID!!!
WHEN YOU HID MY GRANDSON AWAY IN A FOREIGN LAND!
17
Falk

HI AND LOIS

BEETLE BAILEY

WITH ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER AND ONLINE GAMBLING...
CLICKETY CLICKETY CLICK
I CAN BLOW MY PAYCHECK AS SOON AS IT'S DEPOSITED

BLONDIE

YOU WORTHLESS SLOTH!!! GET OUTTA MY OFFICE!!!
FARTHER!! FARTHER!!
THE BOSS PRACTICED SOCIAL DISTANCING BEFORE IT WAS COOL.
HOLD ALL MY CALLS!

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

SUDOKU

	2			9	1			
9			7				5	
6		1	3					
		3				7		
8	7			3			1	6
		2				4		
					9	5		1
	8				5			7
			6	8			9	

HARD

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Saturday's puzzles

3	2	1	7	6	8	4	9	5
9	8	5	3	4	2	6	1	7
4	7	6	5	1	9	8	2	3
7	1	9	2	8	6	3	5	4
2	4	8	9	3	5	1	7	6
5	6	3	4	7	1	2	8	9
1	5	2	6	9	3	7	4	8
6	9	4	8	2	7	5	3	1
8	3	7	1	5	4	9	6	2

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

DFEUG

SASAL

TAGEEN

TNHISC

I'm going to get a better view!
Looks like he hasn't left the woods in months.
Will you look at that!
It's Bigfoot!
WHEN BIGFOOT WAS SPOTTED NEAR THE VILLAGE, IT ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

"_____"

(Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: MUNCH FABLE OUTLAW ARCADE
Answer: Using technology, details about the depth of the Mariana Trench have become — FATHOMABLE

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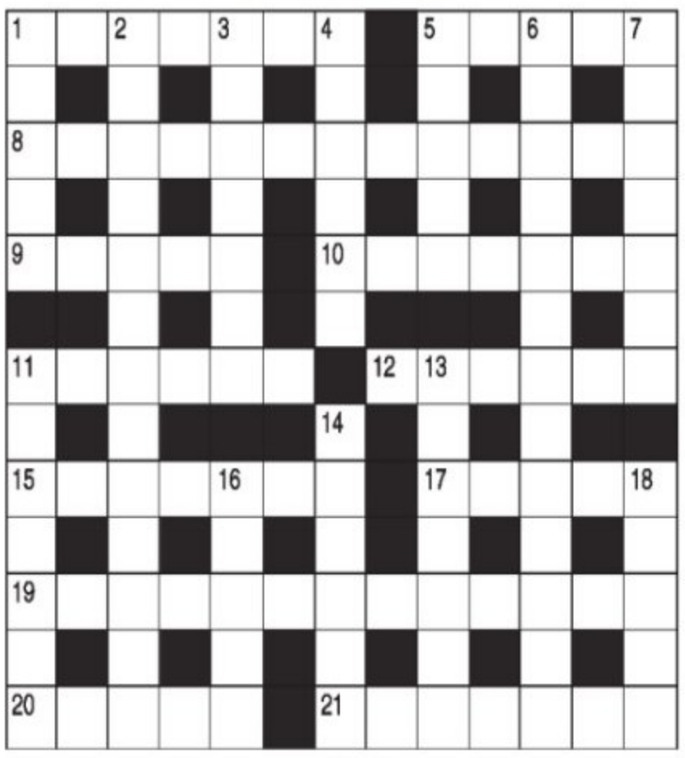
CROSS WORD



ACROSS

1 Unconventional first fancy of a bet comes good (7)
5 Laughter in company's causing disorder (5)
8 Made money illegally (13)
9 To and fro, round and round it goes (5)
10 So Laura creates excitement (7)
11 Puts up a house for sale, perhaps (6)
12 Took advantage of American in a plot (6)
15 Small company having unusually short Roman soldiers (7)
17 Hit 150 before getting dismissed (5)
19 Different view put in writing by a dramatist? (6,2,5)
20 Follow directions and prosecute (5)
21 Photographed out of doors? (7)

DOWN

1 Prize awarded for a zero mark? (5)
2 Jets start out from them (13)
3 Went in for tree chopping in the end (7)
4 Used in a sewing machine it goes round a screw (6)
5 An ingredient of sacred orthodoxy (5)
6 They adopt different attitudes when working (7,6)
7 Burdened - with a back-seat driver? (7)
11 Self-propelled transport (7)
13 Is more cheerful when the dollar's risen? (5,2)
14 Received a hero's treatment when landed (6)
16 Knave withdrawn from the pack? (5)
18 A step in making tyres (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Haste, 8 Stunt man, 9 Spree, 10 Villager, 11 Knock, 12 Beg, 16 Nicety, 17 Nether, 18 Emu, 23 Cents, 24 Nominate, 25 Cases, 26 Pathetic, 27 Least.

Down: 2 Appendix, 3 Trenches, 4 Strife, 5 Angle, 6 Image, 7 Snort, 12 Bye, 13 Gnu, 14 Steerage, 15 Restless, 19 Metric, 20 Snips, 21 Smite, 22 Annex.

KSRTC, along with NWKRTC and NEKRTC, will shortly start a parcel and courier service. It has invited suggestion for a brand name, to be sent by 5 pm on Saturday. The winning entry will be awarded free travel to a destination.

VIOLENCE ENDS, POLITICS TAKES OVER AS NETAS SPAR

BJP accuses Congress of appeasement politics, brings in Dalit angle; Congress says BJP furthering its divisive agenda

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

VIOLENCE in DJ Halli police station limits came to an end in the early hours of Wednesday, but politics over the incident raged all day as parties sparred over it. While BJP leaders deemed the violence a result of Congress' "appeasement politics", the Congress lambasted the BJP for attempting to "add fuel to fire".

"Dead silence by @INCIndia @INCKarnataka even after their Dalit MLA Sri Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy was attacked, house ransacked yesterday in Bengaluru. Total support for RIGHT TO RIOT ...?(SIC) For them appeasement is the only official party policy," said BL Santhosh, National General Secretary (Organisation), BJP, floating a hashtag on Congress supporting riots. Tourism Minister CT Ravi and Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya urged the government to recover the damage costs from those arrested.

MP Shobha Karandlaje alleged the violence was 'pre-planned'. "PFI-SDPI conspired in this violence, they targeted only Hindu houses and burnt public properties," she said, also lashing out at the Congress. DyCM Dr CN Ashwath Narayan also condemned the post. "It is wrong to post communally inflammatory content against any religion or religious figures. Guilty will be punished. Violence is not acceptable," he said in the afternoon. But by evening, his stance had shifted. "The scale and organised nature of the violence confirms that it was entirely orchestrated by these jihadi elements," he tweeted.

Congress MLAs BA Zameer Ahmed and Rizwan Arshad tried to rein in the mob on Tuesday. Congress leaders condemned the violence and the inflammatory post. "I condemn both violent incident that erupted in Kaval Byrsandra and also the social media post that instigated the mob. I humbly request both Hindus and Muslims of the area to stay calm...," tweeted former CM Siddaramaiah.

"While @INCKarnataka leaders are on the ground trying to douse the flames burning #NammaBengaluru, few "leaders" like @blsanthosh like to use these incidents like #BangloreRiots to further their political agenda..." tweeted Priyank Kharge, Congress MLA.

The goonda act by a group of fanatic people damaging the house of a Congress MLA in Bengaluru has made the state government bow its head in shame. There is a conspiracy behind this act

K S Eshwarappa, RDPR minister

Such incidents indicate that this is a pre-planned attack. An explosion of people's frustration due to nepotism by local representatives and their hunger for power. It is not untrue that family feud provided a platform to this incident

H D Kumaraswamy, JDS leader

Govt mulling ban on PFI and SDPI: Bommai

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

HOME Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Wednesday said the government was seriously considering banning organisations like the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its political arm, Socialist Democratic Party of India (SDPI).

He told *TNIE*, "There is a procedure to follow. The PFI and SPDI are blamed for the violence in Mangaluru and were also held responsible for stabbing Congress MLA Tanveer Sait in the neck last year, and many have sought a ban on them," he said.

"There are provisions under the law where one is allowed to ban those who indulge in subversive or anti-national activities. We will explore that. A good number of those arrested are office-bearers, members and supporters of the PFI and SDPI," he said.

Bommai was in Udupi to participate in some scheduled functions but had to rush to Bengaluru as violence erupted in East Bengaluru, leaving three dead and 38 injured.

The minister who held a meeting with DG&IGP Praveen Sood and Bengaluru Police Commissioner Kamal Pant, DCPs and other senior officers said, "Police opened fire to control the violence. No one responsible for the violence will be spared. The mob torched scooters and motorcycles parked in the basement of DJ Halli police station. The rioters will pay for the damage and there is enough digital evidence of who was there and was responsible."

He said they had sought six special armed units, and three units had been moved from Hyderabad and three from Chennai. The units were placed in sensitive areas -- four in Bengaluru and one each in sensitive areas of Hubballi-Dharwad and Mangaluru which have also seen unrest in the past, he said.

The units have been posted in Tannery Road and other sensitive areas like Shivajinagar and Gauripalya, not only to reinforce confidence but to ensure things don't go out of hand, police said. Peace talks are being held with important community leaders to break the wall of suspicion and mutual mistrust, they added.

Tannery Road is deserted a day after violence over an offensive social media post in Bengaluru on Tuesday night | VINOD KUMAR T

Timely action could have averted violence: DKS

ENS @Bengaluru

STATE Congress chief D K Shivakumar on Wednesday said timely action against the person who had put out an objectionable post on social media could have helped avert violence on Tuesday night.

After visiting party MLA Akhanda Srinivasa Murthy's residence which was targeted by a mob, Shivakumar said Naveen, who had put the post is the MLA's relative, but has nothing to do with the Congress. Naveen is a BJP supporter as he himself had claimed in social media posts and the police failed to register a complaint against him for three hours, Shivakumar alleged.

He said they will not indulge in politics over the incident as maintaining peace in the city is the priority.

The party has formed a committee headed by former DyCM Dr G Parameshwara to look into the violence report.

It's a political conspiracy, says Kateel

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Hubballi

BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel alleged that the violence that rocked parts of Bengaluru on Tuesday, was a political conspiracy to create communal disturbance in the BJP-ruled state. He requested the government to take "stringent" action against those responsible for the incident.

Kateel said the party did not believe in hurting the religious sentiments of anyone on any forum. "Should something like this happen, aggrieved people are free to protest and seek legal action, but they must do it peacefully. Creating social disturbance and resorting to violence should not be tolerated," he said.

The turn of events indicated that the whole incident was an organised one, he claimed. "How else can one explain the gathering of so many people in the area, and that too armed with stones, sticks and rods?" he asked, going on to add, "Similar happenings were observed in Mangaluru during an anti-CAA protest."

Claiming it was a "well thought-out plan to create anarchy", Kateel urged the government to have it investigated for the "possible involvement of members of Popular Front of India and Social Democratic Party of India among other such parties".

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -1
BENGALURU

No. 4, Second Floor, LIC Jeevan Mangal Building, Residency Road, Bangalore - 560 025, Karnataka.

FORM No.14 [See Regulation 33(2)]

DRC NO: 426/2019

UCO Bank,
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- Certificate Holder

Versus

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- Certified Debtors

DEMAND NOTICE

1. **Mr. Sarvanan E.R.**
   S/o. Sri. Radhakrishnan,
   Res at : No.455, 8th Main Road, BEML Layout, B S Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 079.
2. **Mrs. Usha**
   Wo. Sri. Sarvanan E.R,
   Res at : No.455,8th Main Road, BEML Layout, B.S.Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 079.
3. **M/s. Mayur Daffodils,**
   At No.87, 27th Main, First Floor, Opp Police Station, HSR Layout, Bengaluru - 560 102
   Represented by
   Its Managing Partner

In view of the recovery Certificate issued in **OA No.1176/2017** passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bengaluru on **29.5.2019** an amount of **Rs.46,50,849/- (Rupees Forty Six Lakhs Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Nine Only)** is due against you along with interest and costs from date of filing of O.A.s till realization.

You are hereby called upon to deposit the above sum within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules. In addition to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay:

a) Such interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings.

b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand seal of the Tribunal on **16th day of July 2019.**

(DEEPA INDUVANI.S)
RECOVERY OFFICER-II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1, BENGALURU

NOTE : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act, 1961 read with recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act 1993 which is reproduced below.

Rule 16(1) Where a notice has been served on a defaulter under rule 2, the defaulter or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.

(2) Where an attachment has been made under this Schedule, any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other moneys contrary to such attachment shall be void as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client intends to purchase the property mentioned in the schedule hereunder from **M/s Niharika Marketing Private Limited.** In case any members of the General Public has got any claim over the Schedule Property it is hereby called upon to approach the undersigned with all relevant documents within **7 days** from the date of this notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential house property bearing **Plot No.8, formed in Sy. No. 59 of Chokkanahalli Village, now bearing BBMP Khatha No.228/59,** situated at **Zen Layout, Chokkanahalli Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Additional Taluk, Jakkur Ward No.5, Chokkanahalli, Yelahanka Division, Byatarayanapura Sub-Division, BBMP Bangalore** measuring East to West 70 feet and North to South 95 feet totally measuring 6,650 square feet, which is bounded on

East by : Plot No.9, **West by :** Plot No.7,
North by : Private Property, **South by :** Road.

B. S. RADHANANDAN, Advocate
No.239/1, Nagashri, IV Main, Chamarajpet, Bangalore 560 018. Mobile: 9845009885.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **Mr. Ramanaik, Prakash Naik and Smt. Saroja Bai,** R/at No.36, 2nd Main, ITI Layout, Mallathalli, Bangalore 560056 are intending to purchase the schedule property from **Smt. Jayamma, Madhugowda, Smt. Sarvamangala and Smt. Padmashri** who claim to be the absolute owners.

Any person or persons who has got any claim or right, title and interest over the schedule property shall inform the under signed with documentary proof within **07 days** hereof failing which my client will proceed with the said transaction complying with all legal formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of **Sites No.62, 63 and 64** each measuring **1200 Sq.Ft** carved out of converted land **Sy No.96/1** measuring **01-18 1/2 acre,** vide Official Memorandum **dated 17-03-2016, bearing No.ALN:(ST)SR/110/15-16** situated at **Kurubarahalli Village, Tavarekere Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District** bounded by

East by : Private Property,
West by : Sy No.15,
North by : Remaining portion of Sy No.96/1,
South by : Road.

D. P. MAHESH, Advocate
No.22/1, 3rd Floor, Kanishka Hotel Road, Gandhinagar, Bangalore-560009
PH: 9980549946, 9980015273.

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APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the South Indian Bank Ltd, Branch Bangalore Jayanagar (Secured Creditor), the Physical Possession of which has been taken on 11.01.2019 by the Authorised Officer of The South Indian Bank Limited, Regional Office Bangalore (Secured Creditor), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 22.09.2020, for recovery of an amount of Rs.80,58,174.98 (Rupees Eighty Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand One Hundred and Seventy Four and ninety eight paise only) as on 06.08.2020 due to The South Indian Bank Limited, Branch Jayanagar, (Secured Creditor) from **M/s. Athithikriya Hotels Pvt Ltd.** No.1878/19, South End C Main Road, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560069 (Also at, No 422, Suchin Plaza, Uttarahalli Main Road, Uttarahalli - Bangalore 560061) and Guarantors **(i) Ms. Jagrathi Shukla,** No.129, Devikrupa, Canara Bank Colony, Uttarahalli Main Road, Bangalore-560061 **(ii) Mr. Sharma H.V** (Hosur Venkatesh Sharma) No.46, 1st floor,9th Cross 2nd Main, C T BED, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085 (Also at No 422, Suchin Plaza, Uttarahalli Main Road, Uttarahalli- Bangalore 560061) **(iii) Mr.Vinay.S,** No.18&23, Flat No.401, Siri Crystal Apartments, Patel Munivenkatappa Layout, Uttarahalli, Bangalore-560061 (Also at #20, 51st Cross, 4th block, Rajaji Nagar, Bangalore-560010) **(iv) Mr. Sangamesh Korke,** C/o. Korke Medical Store, Haralayya Chowk, Basavakalyan district, Bidar-585327. (Residing at No.30-288, Biradar Colony, Basavkalyan District, Bidar-585327) (Also at 30/231, Tripurant, Basavkalyan, Bidar 585327) **(v) Mr. Nitish Biradar,** residing at No. 155/1,1st C cross, 4th block, 6th main, 2nd Phase, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore-85 (Also at Mr. Nitish Biradar Director, Yugasys Private Limited 121/24, 2nd Floor, 7th B Main, 30th Cross, Jayanagar IV th Block, Bangalore 560011) (Also at House No. 30/234, Ganga Nivas, Biradar Colony, Basavakalyan, Bidar-585327) **(vi) Mr. K S Lokesh,** No. 4550, 6th cross, Vijayanagar, Bangarapet, Kolar Dist, 563114 **(vii) Mr. Ganesh N,** No.112/95, 1st floor, 6th cross, 3rd block, T R Nagar, Bangalore-28 **(viii) Mr. Hemanth K V,** No. 366/72, Grace cottage, 19th Main Road, 1st block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010

As to the Item No.1 property, the reserve price will be Rs.78,00,000.00 (Rupees Seventy Eight Lakh only), and the earnest money deposit will be Rs.7,80,000.00 (Rupees Seven Lakh Eighty Thousand only)

As to the Item No.2 property, the reserve price will be Rs.66,00,000.00 (Rupees Sixty Six Lakh only), and the earnest money deposit will be Rs.6,60,000.00 (Rupees Six Lakh Sixty Thousand only)

SECURED ASSET

Item No.1: Residential land (with all improvements) East to West: 30 feet, North to South:40 feet ie measuring 1200sq.ft, Municipal No.156/2D (Old Site No 8, Laidout in old Sy no.60/2 of Byrasandra Village) situated at Municipal Ward No.83 (Corporation PID No 83-236-156/2D) 6th Main,13th cross, Kaveri Layout, Garakamanthanapalya, C V Raman Nagar, Bangalore. The said property is owned by Smt. Jagrathi Shukla under sale deed no 8096/1991-92 dtd 20-02-1992, SRO K R Puram.

Boundaries: East: By Road, **West:** By Private Property, **North:** By private Property, **South:** By old Site bearing no :7

Item No.2: Residential land (with all improvements thereon) East to West:30 feet, North to South:40 feet bearing municipal No 60/73/118/448 (Old C.M.C Khata No.448/73/118, Old Site bearing No.118, P-01, laidout in Old Sy No 73 of Vijinapura@ Kothanur Village), Situated at Kothanur village, K R Puram, within BBMP, 2nd Main, 4th Cross, Udayanagar, Dooravaninagar Post, K R Puram Bangalore. The property is owned by Mr Vinay S, as per Release deed no 15096/14-15 dt 08/12/2014 under Shivajinagar (Banasawadi) SRO (and sale deed 3508/1998-99 dt 07/08/1998 (SRO KR Puram Bangalore, & Gift deed 9382/2014-15 dt 10.09.2014 Shivajinagar (Banasawadi) SRO)

Boundaries: North: By 20ft wide Road, **East:** By 20 Ft Wide Road, **South:** By House Site Bearing No.129, **West:** By House Site Bearing NO 177

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in South Indian Bank Ltd, (Secured Creditor) website i.e. www. southindianbank.com

Date : 10.08.2020 **Sd/-**
Place : Bangalore **AUTHORISED OFFICER**

CITY UNION BANK LTD.
Administrative Office : No. 24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001. Phone : 0435-2402322, 2401622 Fax : 0435-2431746

POSSESSION NOTICE (Immovable Properties)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **City Union Bank Ltd.,** having its Administrative Office at No.24-B, Gandhi Nagar, Kumbakonam - 612 001 and one of the Branch Offices of **City Union Bank Ltd.,** as mentioned below: Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (2) & (12), read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a Demand Notice dated mentioned below calling upon the borrowers, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of the said notice. The borrowers below named having failed to repay the amount despite the receipt of the above referred statutory notice, NOTICE is hereby given to the borrowers below named and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Act. The borrowers below named in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of City Union Bank Ltd., for an amount of and interest till the repayment of entire dues.

City Union Bank Ltd., No.590, HMT Layout, 4th Cross, R.T. Nagar, Bangalore - 560 032.

I. Name of the Borrowers: No.1) Mr. J. Alexander, S/o. Mr. Joseph, No.228, D5, 1st Main, 1st Cross, 407 SFS, 4th Phase, Near Bachpan School, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064. No.2) Mrs. Merlin Alexander, W/o. J. Alexander, No.228, D-5, 1st Main, 1st Cross, 407 SFS, 4th Phase, Near Bachpan School, Yelahanka, Bangalore - 560 064.

Date of Demand Notice: 22-01-2020 followed by paper publication dated 23-02-2020. Date of Possession: 07-08-2020. Amount Outstanding: Rs.71,81,486/- (Rupees Seventy One Lakh Eighty One Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty Six Only) within 60 days from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from 13-01-2020 till the repayment of entire dues.

Note : That our **512-R.T. Nagar-Bangalore Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CREDIT CARD AGAINST LOAN: 512120020018395) dated **09-02-2018** requested by No.1. of you for the facility for a total amount of **Rs.1,00,000/-** at a ROI of **0%.** The same has been also classified as NPA on **12-11-2019** and the outstanding balance as on **12-01-2020** is **Rs.79,451/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **13-01-2020** till the date of realization.

Immovable Property Mortgaged to our Bank (Property Owned by Mr. J. Alexander, S/o. Mr. Joseph)

Schedule - A1:- All that piece and parcel of immovable property bearing present clubbed common BBMP Katha No.88/90, comprised in property bearing Nos.4 & 9, situated at R. Narayanapura Village, earlier Nellore Halli Panchayat Limits, KR Puram, Hobli, earlier Bangalore South Taluk, presently Bangalore East Taluk, earlier under the jurisdiction of Mahadevapura C.M.C. presently under the administrative jurisdiction of BBMP, Totally measuring 24,360 Sq.ft. and Bounded on:- East by - Road, West by - Katha No.1/4, North by - Road, South by - Private Property.

Schedule - A2:- Flat bearing No.103 in the First Floor of the Apartment Building known as Rohini Gardens having a super built-up area of 1,660 Sq.ft., containing Three Bed Rooms, along with One Parking Space, including proportionate share in the common areas such as Passages, Lobbies, Staircase, etc., together with 470 Sq.ft. undivided share of the land, comprised in Schedule - A Property.

II. Name of the Borrowers: No.1) Mr. Shafiq Khan, S/o. Mr. Barkath Khan, No.62, Kogilu Layout, Near Amruth Hospital, Yelahanka, Bangalore North, Bangalore - 560 064. No.2) Mr. Barkath Khan, S/o. Mr. Shahid Khan, No.62, Kogilu Layout, Near Amruth Hospital, Yelahanka, Bangalore North, Bangalore - 560 064.

Date of Demand Notice: 13-01-2020 followed by paper publication dated 20-02-2020. Date of Possession: 07-08-2020. Amount Outstanding: Rs.46,58,705/- (Rupees Forty Six Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred and Five Only) within 60 days from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from 07-01-2020 till the repayment of entire dues.

Note : 1) That our **512-R.T.Nagar-Bangalore Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR:501812080056694) dated **30-09-2019** requested by No.1. of you for which No.2 of you stood as co-obligants for the facility for a total amount of **Rs. 4,96,000/-** at a ROI of **15.50%.** The same has been also classified as NPA on **27-10-2019** and the outstanding balance as on **06-01-2020** is **Rs. 5,18,224/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **07-01-2020** till the date of realization.

2) That our **512-R.T. Nagar-Bangalore Branch** has also extended Financial Assistance (CUB OSL SPECIAL-BR:501812080053688) dated **29-06-2019** requested by No.1 of you for which No.2 of you stood as co-obligants for the facility for a total amount of **Rs.1,50,000/-** at a ROI of **13.50%.** The same has been also classified as NPA on **27-10-2019** and the outstanding balance as on **06-01-2020** is **Rs.1,57,579/-** plus further interest and penal interest of **2.00%** with monthly rests to be charged from **07-01-2020** till the date of realization.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank (Properties Owned by Mr. Shafiq Khan, S/o. Mr. Barkath Khan)

Schedule - A1 Property:- All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing BBMP Katha No. 291, in converted land bearing Sy.No.6/2, measuring 1 Acre, situated at Balagere Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, which is converted for Non-Agricultural Residential purpose Conversion Order bearing No.ALN(EVH) SR/289/2011-12, dated 19-10-2011 in the file of Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, now coming under BBMP and is Bounded on the:- East by - Property in Sy.No.7/2 and remaining portion in same Sy.No.6/2, West by - Remaining portion in same Sy.No.6/2, North by - Drain, South by - Road and Land in Sy.No.6/2.

Schedule - A2 Property:- 408 Sq.ft., undivided right, title and interest in Schedule - A Property.

Schedule - A3 Property:- Three Bed Rooms Apartment bearing No.413, on the Fourth Floor in the building known as Shri Sai Lake Ville, constructed on Schedule - A Property with a super built-up area of 1,530 Sq.ft. (which is inclusive of proportionate share in balconies and common area) with the Floors, Ceiling and Walls between units jointly belonging to such apartment owners equally and with one covered car parking space.

III. Name of the Borrowers: No.1) Mr. M. Mahendran, S/o. Mr. C. Manikaraj, No.38, 12th Cross, Someshwara Layout, Near Agape Bible Church, Venkateshpuram, Nagawara, Bengaluru North - 560 045. No.2) Mrs. Arockia Mary Prescilla, W/o. Mr. M. Mahendran, No.38, 12th Cross, Someshwara Layout, Near Agape Bible Church, Venkateshpuram, Nagawara, Bengaluru North - 560 045.

Date of Demand Notice: 22-01-2020 followed by paper publication dated 20-02-2020. Date of Possession: 07-08-2020. Amount Outstanding: Rs.35,62,523/- (Rupees Thirty Five Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty Three Only) within 60 days from the date of the said Notice with subsequent interest thereon from 21-01-2020 till the repayment of entire dues.

Immovable Properties Mortgaged to our Bank (Properties Owned by Mr. M. Mahendran, S/o. Mr. C. Manikaraj)

Schedule - A1 Property:- All that piece and parcel of immovable converted land property bearing S.No.188, situated at Kodathi Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, conversion Order dated 09-09-2010, Order No.ALN(EVH) SR2/2008-09, by Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, measuring to an extent of 2 Acres 8 Guntas Kharab land and Bounded on:- East by - Shivaramdas Land Property of S.No.187, West by - Shivanarayanappa Land Property of S.No. 189, North by - Krishnareddy Land Property of S.No.193, South by - 40 ft. Road & S.No.79 Land Property.

Schedule - A2 Property:- An undivided share in the land of the Schedule - A1 Property equivalent to 297 Sq.ft., with all Right, Title, Interest and Ownership in the Total land of Schedule - A Property.

Schedule - A3 Property:- Flat bearing No.404 (A Block) in 4th Floor, measuring 1,119 Sq.ft. of Super built-up Area, constructed over the Schedule - A1 Property containing 2 Bed Rooms, Kitchen, Dining, Toilets, Living Room, with One Car Parking bearing No.404 (A Block) in the apartment known as "DS-MAX SPRINKLES" Together with an undivided share, right, title and interest of land as specified in Schedule - A2 Property referred to above, along with Water and Electricity together with common areas such as Passages, Lobbies, Lifts, Staircase and Other Areas for common use.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 07-08-2020

Authorised Officer
City Union Bank Ltd.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client has entered into a joint development agreement on 06/08/2020 in respect of the schedule property with **Smt. M. MUKAMBIKA,** W/o. Sri. Shankaraiah, aged about 65 years, Residing at No. 15, 4th Cross, 4th Block, Kumara Park West, Bengaluru 560020, PAN : AGQPM8822L. Anybody has got any sort of right, claim, interest over the schedule property or having any sort of objection for the said transaction shall approach the under mentioned within **7 days** from this day with documentary evidence, failing which my client shall proceed further in accordance with the terms of the agreement to sell considering there is no objection to the said sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Property Bearing Vacant Site No. 60, **situated at 6th main, 7th Block, 4th Phase Extension, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bengaluru,** measuring East to West 18.28 Mtrs and North to South 12.19 Mtrs., in all measuring **222.83 sq. mtrs** and having BBMP PID NO.56-198-60 and bounded as;

East by : B.D.A. Land.
West by : 40 Feet Road.
North by : Site No. 59.
South by : Site No. 61.

N.S. SHIVASHANKAR, Advocate
48/1, 2nd Floor, 1st Cross, Opp: Canara Bank, Vallabha Nagar, Uttarahalli Main Road, Uttarahalli, Bangalore-61.
Phone : 080-41628629.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that, our client has proposed to purchase the Schedule properties mentioned hereunder from its present owners **Sri. R. Ramesh** son of Late. Ramaiah, Residing at No. 36, 12th Main Road, Ramaiah Grape Garden, Hosakerehalli, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560 085, **AND Smt. R. GAYATHRI,** D/o. Late L. Ramaiah & W/o. Sri. Satish Kumar, Residing at Second Floor in Site No. 4, 12th Main Road, Ramaiah Grape Garden, Hosakerehalli, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore - 560 085. Person/s objecting for the proposed purchase or having any right, share, title and interest in the Schedule properties may lodge their objections / claims with the undersigned along with supporting documentary evidence within **14 days** from this day of publication and any objection / claims received thereafter, will not be binding on our client and our client will proceed to purchase the below mentioned Schedule properties as, if, there are no claims / objections.

-: SCHEDULE ITEM No. 1 PROPERTY :-
(Property belongs to Sri. R. Ramesh)

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TRACKING COVID-19

Dr C Ramachandra, Director of Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology informed Education Minister Suresh Kumar that they need 15 computers and data entry operators for their Covid lab and Kumar promised the same

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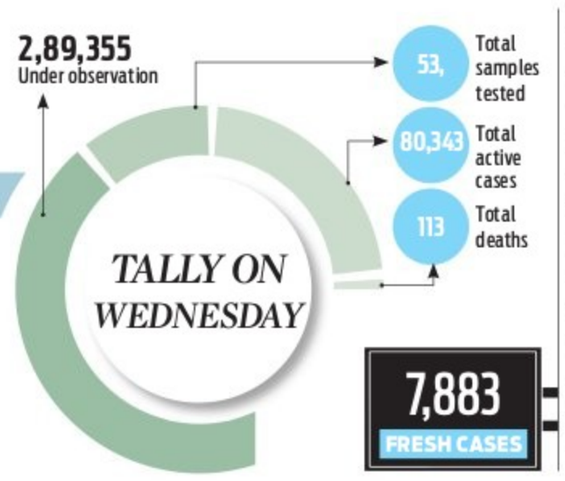

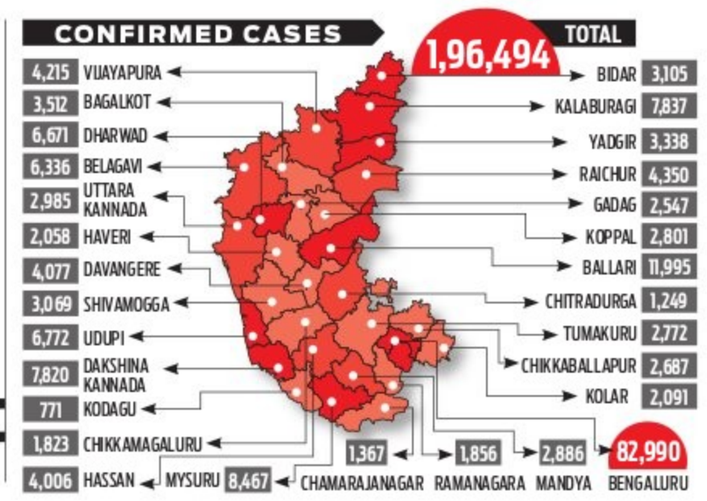

BBMP TO HIRE MORE STAFF, INTENSIFY CONTACT TRACING

Wants to trace suspect cases in less than 2 days; 1,26,380 under home quarantine

The BBMP has over 2,700 ward and 30,000 booth-level officials for contact tracing and verification | EXPRESS

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

WITH directions coming from Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike has decided to increase the staff designated for contact tracing and updating data related to Covid-19.

The BBMP is sending the proposal to Chief Secretary T M Vijay Bhaskar for approval, a senior BBMP official told The New Indian Express.

According to the BBMP, there are 1,26,830 people under home quarantine, of whom around 8,000 are interstate and international travellers, while 12,000 are primary and secondary contacts.

The BBMP has over 2,700 ward and 30,000 booth-level officials for contact tracing and verification. This apart, there are 25,600 volunteers, of whom 8,000 are active on any given day.

"It looks sufficient, but there is a need to hire more staff as the Prime Minister wants contacts traced within two days. We want to do it much faster. Now, it takes about three days," the BBMP official said.

Citizens, however, are not convinced and say that these numbers are only on paper. In many areas of the city, there is little or no response from the BBMP.

"We are on home quarantine for the last 14 days and no one has come to check on us. No medicines have been prescribed and no follow-up done. We are forced to go out of the house to get essentials as there is no one to help. The BBMP must admit its failure," said S Menon, a resident of Jnana Bharathi ward.

"Only some call centre people contact us and repeatedly ask for details of my family members. There is nothing beyond that. The government needs to scale up its contact tracing if the pandemic needs to be controlled," said Moulami S, a resident of Hegganahalli.

Anbu Kumar, BBMP Special Commissioner, Covid Contact Tracing, said physical contact tracing is being done and around 35,000 people are being reached out every day. "There could be some discrepancies because of wrong information shared by positive patients. But those are being dealt with," he added.

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> BBMP official

BBMP to claim 'unused' beds in private hospitals

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BEDS and floors which private hospitals claim are not functional will be sealed and taken over by the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike. The infrastructure, however, will be returned to hospital managements after they prove that they have the wherewithal to manage them, said D Randeep, special commissioner, BBMP.

After holding a meeting with hospitals that have a capacity of 50-100 beds, along with Commissioner N Manjunath Prasad, he said that these healthcare facilties were warned and informed about the Palike decision.

While some hospitals have come forward to share 50% of beds with the government to fight Covid, others claim that because of the shortage of nurses and doctors, they have not been able to manage all the beds and cannot hand over 50 per cent of them to the Palike. The Palike has also decided to seal entire floors that are not functioning, he said.

Hospitals were given a strict deadline to upload all the data on the number of beds available at each hospital and reserved for Covid19. At the meeting, the two top BBMP officials also clarified that classification of beds for ICU, NCU and others should be done after allocating 50% of beds for Covid and not before.

Of the 50 hospitals with 50-100 bed capacity, only 30 participated in the meeting. Zonal and nodal officers have been given the list of hospitals and they will inspect each hospital and seal down non- functional beds and hospitals in case of discrepancies, Randeep said.

WAR ROOM DATA

Dasarahalli best, RR Nagar worst in identifying contacts

RANJANI MADHAVAN @Bengaluru

AS per the contact tracing data of the last one month in BBMP, shared by the State war room, there is an average of 6.29 primary and secondary contacts traced per Covid-19 positive patient in Bengaluru. The data was taken between July 11 and August 12.

Of a total of 54,984 patients, there are 3,45,633 primary and secondary contacts. The zone with the best contact tracing is Dasarahalli with 15.10 primary and secondary contacts traced per patient. The second is the South zone with 10.16 contacts traced per positive patient. However, there are some zones with fewer contacts tracing per patient. For example, RR Nagar has 3.60 primary and secondary contacts per patient and is the lowest among all zones. Bommanahalli is the second lowest with 4.15 total contacts.

As per Munish Moudgil, IAS officer in charge of the State war room and special officer for Covid-19 management, the contact tracing has improved ten-fold in the South zone. "Earlier, it was less than one contact per patient. The deployment of booth level officers and use of the contact tracing app has made a difference," Moudgil said.

RR Nagar zone has 2.16 primary contacts per patient and 1.44 secondary contacts per patient. Asked why the figure was low, Dr R Vishal, IAS, special officer in charge of RR Nagar zone, said their focus is more on primary than secondary contacts.

"All zones, apart from Dasarahalli, have the number of primary contacts between 2.2 and 2.7. If we focus on secondary, we will lose manpower. Right now we are tracking primary contacts efficiently, triaging them, getting them tested and sending them to CCCs, hospitals or for home isolation," Dr Vishal said.

Checking the spread

Zone	Total +ves	Average contacts traced per patient
Dasarahalli	1,816	15.10
South	11,392	10.16
West	12,306	5.88
Yelahanka	3,158	5.56
Mahadevapura	4,462	4.89
East	10,938	4.40
Bommanahalli	6,153	4.15
RR Nagar	4,759	3.60
Total	**54,984**	**6.29**

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Kalyana-Karnataka board launches helpline

Kalyana Karnataka Region Development Board chairman Dattatreya Patil Revoor (third from left) inaugurates the helpline in Kalaburagi

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A helpline, Covid Suraksha Chakra Sahayavani, for the Kalyana-Karnataka region was inaugurated on Wednesday. The helpline has been set up jointly by the Kalyana Karnataka Region Development Board (KKRDB), Kalaburagi district administration, Mahanagara Palike, and Zilla Panchayat, Kalaburagi. It was inaugurated by KKRDB chairman Dattatreya Patil Revoor on Wednesday.

Revoor told the media that the helpline will be run by trained, experienced and skilled people. "They will not only attend to people's issues but will also monitor their treatment. They will get in touch with Covid patients a month after the treatment. The team will also give advice on diet and medication," he said.

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Revoor that in the first phase, the helpline will work only in Kalaburagi. In the coming days, it will be functional in other districts of Kalyana-Karnataka region as well. Kalaburagi MP Dr Umesh Jadhav too was present.

He said that in the coming days, KKRDB has decided to occupy 'big available buildings' and convert them into temporary Covid centres. KKRDB will provide the financial assistance to build the infrastructure.

Positivity rate down from 26% to 15% in Udupi dist

PRAKASH SAMAGA @ Udupi

THERE is some good news from Udupi district. The Covid-19 test positivity rate (TPR) that stood at 26 per cent initially has come down to 15 per cent this week. Sustained field activity, like fever camps and surveys, will be continued to bring TPR further down, health department sources said.

WHO guidelines state that the disease is under control if the positivity rate is 5 percent or less. But Udupi is still far away from reaching that goal.

Many people TNIE spoke to over the last one week felt that asymptotic people need not go for a Covid test. But DHO Dr Sudhirchandra Sooda said that all those who are primary contacts of Covid patients should undergo tests, as the positivity rate among asymptotic is 65 per cent in Udupi.

The district administration is collecting around 1,600 swab samples every day and releasing 800 results.

Though the situation is under control in Udupi with a good recovery rate, people with comorbidities, like kidney ailment and cardiac disease, staying away from getting tested is resulting in deaths, said health department sources. In all, 70 people have died due to Covid-19 in Udupi.

GIMS turns away serious Covid patients

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @Gadag

WITH a surge in cases in the district over the last month, authorities at the Gadag Institute of Medical Sciences (GIMS) are asking caregivers of serious Covid patients to take them to private hospitals due to a lack of ventilators.

GIMS has 18 ventilators, which are all in use currently, and staffers are finding it hard to manage patients.

Of late, there has been an increase in the number of patients with Influenza-like Illness (ILI) and Severe Acute Respiratory Infection (SARI). Also, more than 50 patients have been admitted in the last month with various ailments and they have no choice but to go to KIMS in Hubballi due to lack of ventilators.

Srinivas Bolappanavar, a resident of Betageri, said that many patients coming to GIMS have BPL cards, and they cannot afford to get treated at private hospitals.

"GIMS officials are not ready to take in serious patients now, and are asking them to visit other hospitals. We have requested officials to arrange extra ventilators for non-Covid patients too," he said.

Meanwhile, a GIMS official said, "There is a scarcity of ventilators. On Monday, 15 ventilators were arranged that are being used for Covid-19 patients. Many government hospitals in the district are running short of machines. We have brought this to the notice of senior officials and will soon resolve the issue."

STATE CROSSES 7K-MARK IN NEW CASES, DISCHARGES

Two-wheeler riders pass through a disinfection tunnel in Bengaluru

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THE state crossed the 7,000-mark both in fresh coronavirus infections and recoveries on Wednesday, the highest recorded in a single day till now.

With 7,883 positives across the state, the total cases stands at 1,96,494, while with Wednesday's discharges at 7,034, the tally went up to 1,12,633.

The state also reported 113 fatalities, with the youngest being an 11-year-old boy from Dakshina Kannada district. He was suffering from hypertension and was admitted to a private hospital on August 5. He passed away on August 10.

Two patients were brought dead to hospitals. The total number of deaths in the state now stands at 3,510. Bengaluru saw 23 deaths, Mysuru 11 and Ballari recored nine fatalities.

Bengaluru recorded the highest number of positive cases with 2,802, followed by Ballari (635), Mysuru (544), Belagavi (314) and Dharwad (269).

The number of patients in ICU crossed the 700-mark, with 701 critically ill in 26 districts. Of these, 336 are from Bengaluru.

As of August 11, Karnataka's recovery rate is 56 per cent and fatality rate 1.8 per cent. Deaths per million is higher than the state's average (55.3 per cent) in seven districts — Bengaluru Urban, Dakshina Kannada, Dharwad, Mysuru, Hassan, Bidar and Udupi.

The state is conducting 29,003 tests per million and stands seventh in the country. It comes fourth in the country after Maharashtra, Delhi and Puducherry in terms of positive cases at 10 per cent.

DEFANGING THE STIGMA

Snake Shyam charms family, rescues reptile from +ve patient's house

KARTHIK K K @Mysuru

AT a time when many coronavirus-infected patients and their family members are being subjected to discrimination and ostracised over the stigma associated with Covid-19, noted snake rescuer and wildlife conservationist Snake Shyam has set an example by rescuing a snake from the house of a positive patient in the city.

Early Wednesday, Shyam who is popularly known as 'Snake Shyam' received a call from a man that a snake was found inside their house and that their house was demarcated as a containment zone as his father had tested positive for coronavirus and was in home isolation. This did not deter Shyam from attending to their request. He rushed to the spot in the next 15 minutes and rescued a wild snake that was hiding in a corner of the house.

"I was deeply moved when I saw the Covid-infected man isolated inside a room while his wife was bed-ridden due to some ailment and was terrified by the snake. I had to rush and it was not a time to think if I should visit the house or not. So I went and rescued the snake within five minutes," said Snake Shyam, who till date has rescued more than 35,000 snakes.

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> Snake Shyam, wildlife conservationist

The patient's wife said, "While our neighbours have isolated us, Snake Shyam came right into our house and rescued the snake. We are grateful to him."

With directions coming from Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike has decided to increase staff designated for contact tracing and updating data related to the Covid-19 pandemic.

City colleges hurry with PU admissions, parents irked

SSLC results out on Monday, but some institutions complete process

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @Bengaluru

JUST three days after the SSLC board exams were completed, G Murthy, a parent, received a call from a PUC college in Bengaluru North, which said his son, a topper, had got admission. The college said they were going to start online classes soon, and had asked Murthy to enroll his son.

"We weren't sure if my child wanted to pursue Science or Commerce, so we did not respond immediately," Murthy said, but what came as a shock to them was that the institute put out a notice that admissions were closed just three hours after the SSLC results being declared on Monday.

T Kumar, another parent, told *TNIE* that he received a similar call a month ago. "We were told to enroll our ward and were given the option to pay the fees over two months," he said.

On one hand, some parents and students have been receiving calls much before the official PU college admission dates, and on the other hand, students are worried they won't get a seat at a college of their choice owing to this practice of giving seats much before the results are announced.

Students hand over their application forms to staff at a college in Malleswaram in Bengaluru on Wednesday | SHRIRAM BN

Minister of Primary and Secondary Education S Suresh Kumar assured that an order in this regard will be issued soon, but the department is relying on parents to tip them off on such cases so as to initiate action.

Director of Pre-University Education M Kanagavalli told TNIE that parents and students must file complaints against colleges that are sending out admission notices before results are announced. The admission process, she said, should start only after the declaration of results.

The Department of Pre-University Education on Wednesday said that admissions will commence today (August 13), and issuing of admission cards will be closed four days after.

Ola driver and aide tracked, nabbed in Shivamogga

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

POLICE tracked the mobile phone of the Ola cab driver and his accomplice, who had abducted loco pilot Sonu Kumar Singh in the early hours of Tuesday, and nabbed them in Shivamogga on Wednesday.

Singh, who was kidnapped near KIA after his return on a Patna flight, and been taken to Kadur in Chikkamagalur, was on his way back to Bengaluru aboard a Jan Shatabdi train.

An FIR was booked at Mahadevapura Police Station on Tuesday against the duo on charges of abduction and they are now in custody of Bengaluru police. Of the Rs 1.8 lakh the miscreants had robbed from Singh, police found only Rs 1 lakh in cash with them, apart from Singh's luggage and two mobiles.

According to railway sources, Singh managed to escape from Kadur in Chikkamagaluru, and boarded the train to Bengaluru with the help of railway officials. Singh told *The New Indian Express*, "I reached Mahadevapura police station yesterday and filed my complaint against the cab driver and his friend. I was asked to accompany the cops in their vehicle to Shivamogga as I was told the accused had been nabbed. We left last night and I identified them, and we returned to Bengaluru today (Wednesday)."

Narrating his ordeal, Singh said, "I lost ₹1.8 lakh. The money was transferred by my colleagues and my family to my account, after the men tied me up and threatened me."

Repeatedly stating that it was on an Ola app that he booked the cab, Singh said, "I was sent the OTP from Ola, including the car number. The driver's name is Manikandan. I boarded the cab at the airport, from the Ola parking bay."

Ola refused to give an official statement, despite repeated requests. Instead of acknowledging such an incident took place involving their driver, the PR personnel instead interrogated this reporter and wanted proof of the FIR.

Singh, a native of Bihar who got married in February this year, has been working with Bengaluru Division for the past five years.

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> Sonu Kumar Singh

Siddu recovers from Covid on his b'day

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LEADER of Opposition in the Karnataka Assembly Siddaramaiah has recovered from Covid-19 and is all set to be discharged from the hospital. The 73-year-old was admitted to a private hospital on August 4 after he developed a fever. Later, he tested positive for Covid-19. Incidentally, Siddaramaiah recovered on his birthday—August 11. A statement from the former Chief Minister's office said that he will be discharged on Thursday. His son, Varuna MLA Dr Yathindra, however, will continue to be treated.

"Leader of Opposition Siddaramaiah tested negative for Covid-19 in the second swab test and blood test. He was admitted to the hospital last Tuesday. Apart from the fever for the first two days, he remained asymptomatic throughout his stay at the hospital," said the statement.

Meanwhile, a host of leaders cutting across party lines greeted the leader for his recovery and his birthday.

EXPRESS READ

Yediyurappa to hoist Tricolour on I-Day

Bengaluru: With his home quarantine ending on August 14, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa is scheduled to hoist the national flag at the Manekshaw Parade Ground during Independence Day celebrations the next day. The CM, who was discharged from hospital after being treated for Covid, has is in home quarantine on doctors' advice and hasn't returned to his official duties yet.

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ಅಡಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಪರವಾನಗಿ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಿಂದ ನೋಟೀಸ್

ಶ್ರೀ ಪಿ.ಕೆ.ಮಿಶ್ರ ಬಿನ್ ಲೇಟ್. ಶ್ರೀ ನಾರಾಯಣ ಮಿಶ್ರ, ವಯಸ್ಸು 56 ವರ್ಷ, ವಾಸ: ಗ್ರೀನೇಜ್, ಆಪ್ಟೆಸ್ ಬ್ಲಾಕ್, 'ಬಿ' ವಿಂಗ್, ಫ್ಲಾಟ್ ನಂ.1801, ಹೊಸೂರು ರಸ್ತೆ, ಬೊಮ್ಮನಹಳ್ಳಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560068. ಉಪಾಧ್ಯಕ್ಷರು, ಸಲಾರ್‌ಪುರಿಯ ರಿಯಲ್ ಎಸ್ಟೇಟ್ ಪ್ರೈ.ಲಿ., ನಂ.3, ಹಲಸೂರು ರಸ್ತೆ, ಸಲಾರ್‌ಪುರಿಯ ವಿಂಡ್ಸರ್, 4ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560042, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ನಗರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ. ರವರು ಈ ಕಛೇರಿಗೆ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಿ ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ, ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ ತಾಲ್ಲೂಕು, ಕಸಬಾ ಹೋಬಳಿ, ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಗ್ರಾಮದಲ್ಲಿರುವ ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.341/1, 342/1, 342/1, 342/2, 342/2, 343/2, 359, 360, 361/2, 361/2 ಮತ್ತು 367/1ರಲ್ಲಿ 18 ಎಕರೆ 0-18 ಗುಂಟೆ ಜಮೀನಿನಲ್ಲಿ (74663.30 ಚದರ ಮೀಟರ್) ಮಲ್ಟಿಪ್ಲೆಕ್ಸ್ ಸಿನಿಮಾ (ನಾಲ್ಕು ಪರದೆ) ಚಿತ್ರ ಮಂದಿರವನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಮಾಡಲು ನಿರಾಕ್ಷೇಪಣಾ ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ನೀಡುವಂತೆ ಕೋರಿರುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಸದರಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತಿಗೆ ಚಕ್ಕುಬಂದಿ ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡಂತೆ ಇರುತ್ತದೆ.

ಪೂರ್ವಕ್ಕೆ : ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.344, 356ನೇ ನಂಬರುಳ್ಳ ಖಾಸಗಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತು.
ಪಶ್ಚಿಮಕ್ಕೆ : ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.341, 339,361, 362ನೇ ನಂಬರುಳ್ಳ ಖಾಸಗಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತು.
ಉತ್ತರಕ್ಕೆ : ರಸ್ತೆ.
ದಕ್ಷಿಣಕ್ಕೆ : ಸರ್ವೆ ನಂ.367ನೇ ನಂಬರುಳ್ಳ ಖಾಸಗಿ ಸ್ವತ್ತು.

ಈ ಮೇಲ್ಕಂಡ ಉದ್ದೇಶಕ್ಕೆ ನಿರಾಪೇಕ್ಷಣಾ ಪತ್ರವನ್ನು ನೀಡುವ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಯಾರಿಂದಲಾದರೂ ಯಾವುದೇ ರೀತಿಯ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆ ಇದ್ದಲ್ಲಿ ಅಂತಹವರು ದಿನಾಂಕ: 25-08-20ರ ಒಳಗಾಗಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಯನ್ನು ಲಿಖಿತವಾಗಿ ಸಲ್ಲಿಸುವುದು. ಸದರಿ ದಿನಾಂಕದ ನಂತರ ಸ್ವೀಕರಿಸಲಾಗುವ ಯಾವುದೇ ಆಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗಳನ್ನು ಪರಿಗಣಿಸಲಾಗುವುದಿಲ್ಲ.
ದಿನಾಂಕ: 10-08-20 ರಂದು ನನ್ನಿಂದ ನೀಡಲ್ಪಟ್ಟಿದೆ.

ಸಹಿ/- ಜಿಲ್ಲಾಧಿಕಾರಿಯವರ ಪರವಾಗಿ,
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ.

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda
Regional Office Bengaluru (South)
No. 41/2, 4th Floor, Vijaya Towers, M.G. Road, Bengaluru - 560001

NOTIFICATION FOR SALE OF BANK'S VEHICLES

Sealed Tenders are invited for sale of 4 Bank Vehicles Maruti Alto VXI / LXI (4 No's) "As is where is condition", Tenders should be submitted in sealed cover for each vehicle separately, on or before **01.09.2020 up to 5.00 PM.**

For further details and terms, please log on to bank's website www.bankofbaroda.com and contact numbers 080-25011600/610. The Bank reserves the right to reject any/all tenders without assigning the reason whatsoever. Corrigendum / Addendum will be published in website only.

Tender opening date: **03.09.2020**

(Sd/-)
Date: 12.08.2020 Assistant General Manager,
Place: Bengaluru R. O. Bengaluru (South)

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
RURAL DRINKING WATER AND SANITATION DIVISION DAVANAGERE
Office of the Executive Engineer

No.EE/R.D.W&S D:D,S,E-1/D::E.PROC/340/2020-21 Date: 10.08.2020

SHORT-TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION- TWO COVER SYSTEM
(Through E-Procurement)

Item wise tenders are invited on behalf of the Governor of Karnataka from the contractors who have registered, qualified and registered under e-procurement as per the norms of the department in the form of KW-4, publication through e-procurement portal for the works of annual maintenance of multi village drinking water supply scheme in Kengatte and Other 7 villages and annual maintenance of multi-village drinking water scheme of 3 villages and Hanumasagar and other 7 villages drinking water schemes of Honnali Taluk in Davanagere District, approved under National Rural Drinking Water Supply Scheme, 2020-21. Last date for submitting filled tenders on E-Procurement portal on or before **09.09.2020, 5.00 PM.** For more details contact this office No.**08192-262126** or visit website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
R.D.W & S. DIVISION, DAVANAGERE

DIPR/DAVANAGERE/SSC/262/2020-21

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO,
Shri Devendra Kumar, Aged 28 years, S/o.Shri Magharamji, R/at No.523, Ground Floor, R.K. Hegde Nagar, Dr. Shivarama Karanth Nagara Post, Bengluru-560077. Also at: No.157/1, Kammanahalli Main Road, R.S.Palya, Bengaluru-560033.

Sir, Under the instructions of my client **Shri Shivananda Irappa Satannavara**, aged about 39 years, S/o Shri Irappa Satannavara, r/at. No.25/3, New No. F-39, 6th Cross, Sirci Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore -560018, I issue this notice to you as hereunder: 1) My Client instructs me to state that, you the addressee is the absolute owner of all that piece and parcel of property bearing No.523/A, half of the northern portion of the property bearing No.523, Khata No.88, Property No. 88, situated at Ramakrishna Nagara, Thanisandra Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, within the limits of BBMP, which is morefully described in the schedule herein below and hereinafter referred to as SCHEDULE PROPERTY. 2) My Client instructs me to state that, you the addressee as the absolute owner of the schedule property was intending to alienate the schedule property for your urgent domestic and family necessities and my client was in search of suitable property in the said area, coming to know about your intention, approached you and offered to purchase the schedule property. After much discussions and deliberations, you have offered the schedule property for sale in favour of my client for valuable consideration of **Rs. 27,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty-seven Lakhs only).** The said offer was accepted by my Client under certain terms and conditions and the said

Shudha krayadha advance kararu pathra

Was executed on 28-11-2017 in favour of my client and same is registered in the Office of the Sub- Registrar, K.R.Puram, Bangalore, in Book No.1, as Doc. No. KRI-I—07167-2017-18, stored in CD No.KRID609, under which you had agreed to alienate the schedule property in favour of my client for **Rs. 27,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty-seven Lakhs only)** and you have received **Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty-five Lakhs only)** on the following dates:

i) **Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only)** by Cheque No. 000003013211 drawn on Bank of Baroda, K.G.Road Branch, Bangalore: ii) **Rs.5,00,000/-(Rupees Five Lakhs only)** by way of Cash on 28-11-2017. iii) After the registration of agreement i.e., on 30-11-2017 recived **Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only)** by way of Cash: iv) **Rs.5,00,000/-(Rupees Five Lakhs only)** by way of Cash on 05-12-2017. v) **Rs.5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakhs only)** by way of Cash on 10-12-2017.

All the above amount of **Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty five Lakhs only)** was ecieved and acknowledged by you, You had agreed to execute the Sale Deed with respect of the Schedule Property by receiving the balance sale consideration from you. Therefore, it was specifically agreed that time is not the essence of the contract.

3) My Client instructs me to state that, inspite of my client being ready and willing to perform his part of contract by paying the balance sale consideration, you have been avoiding my client and to receive the balance sale consideration and execute the sale deed with respect to schedule property in favour of my client.

WHEREFORE, my client hereby calls upon you to receive the balance sale consideration amount of **Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs only)** from my client and come forward to execute the registered Sale Deed in my Client's favour **within FIFTEEN DAYS** from the date of this notice by fixing a date and time of your convenience for registration of sale deed and communicating the same to my client in writing atleast three (3) days prior to the date of registration, failing which my client hall be constrained to initiate appropriate legal action against you, invoking the jurisdiction of the Court of law to seek appropriate Redressal and to get the sale deed with respect to notice schedule property registered in his name through court, exclusively at your cost, risk and consequences.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing No. 523/A, half of the northern portion of the property bearing No. 523, Khata No.88, Property No. 88, situated at Ramakrishna Nagara, Thanisandra Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore, Within the limits of BBMP, measuring East to West 50 feet and **North to South 15 feet (Total 750 Sq.ft.),** and bounded on the: **East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.601, **North by:** Site No.522, **South by:** Remaining portion of same Site No.523 New No.523/B.

B.V.MANJUNATHA, Advocate, HARA ASSOCIATES
#58, Cottonpet Main Road, Bangalore-560053.

STATE BANK OF INDIA
RACPC MALLESHWARAM
No.97, (Old No.136) Railway Parallel Road, Kumarapark West, Bangalore -560020
Telephone: 080-25943730, Email : racpc.bz1@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE TO THE BORROWER

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANACIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT')

A Notice is hereby given that the below mentioned Borrowers have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loan facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

Name and address of the Borrower: 1) Ms. B.V. Aditi, D/o Sri.E.N.Veeranna, #1108, 18th Cross, B Main, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560010. **2) Sri. E. N. Veerana** S/o Narasimhaiah, No. 1069, 65th Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru 560 070. **Guarantor:** Sri. E. N. Veerana S/o Narasimhaiah, No. 1069, 65th Cross, 5th Block, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru 560 070.

Account No. Education Loan 62107459780

Outstanding Loan Amount: of Rs.3,85,754/- (Rupees Three Lakh Eighty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Four Only) as on **19.06.2020** You are also liable to pay future interest from **20.06.2020** at the contractual rate on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.

NPA Date: 01.01.2019 **Demand Notice Date: 22.06.2020**

Schedule Of Immovable Property: Schedule 'A' Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.122/1, Infantry Road, Bangalore and property bearing No.31, 31/2 and 31/4, Cubbon Road, Bangalore now clubbed under one No.122/1, Infantry Road, Bangalore in all measuring 19256 Sq.ft. and bounded on the: East by: Premises No.122, Infantry Road and No.31/1, Cubbon Road, measuring on that side 258 feet plus 11 feet 6 inches. West by: Property bearing No.123, Infantry Road and Private property in Cubbon Road, belonging to M.S.Ramaiah and M.R.Jayaram measuring on that side 255 feet 6 inches plus 11 feet 6 inches. North by: Property bearing No.122/3, Infantry Road and common passage leading to Infantry Road, measuring on that side 76 feet plus 15 feet. South by: Cubbon Road Cross, measuring on that side 69 feet 6 inches.

Schedule 'B' Property: 6.35 % undivided share in the land comprised in the Schedule 'A' property, representing to 1220.44 Sq. ft.

Schedule 'C' Property: All that piece and parcel of a 4 Bedroom Apartment No.206 in the II Floor in the Building known as "FARAH PLAZA" constructed on the Schedule 'A' property with a super built up area of 1876 Sq. ft., having marble flooring, hardwood doors, aluminium windows and RCC roofing together with all common areas attributable thereto and two covered car parking space in the basement.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrower(s) and or their Guarantor(s) (whenever applicable) are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.You are also put on notice that in terms of sub-section 13 of Section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule "C" Part II of this notice without obtaining written consent of the Bank.

Date : 12.08.2020 **Sd/- Authorised Officer & Chief Manager**
Place: Bangalore **State Bank of India**

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Project Division, West Zone, Joint Commissioner (West) Office Premises, 2nd Floor, Sampige Road, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560020

No: EE/P-W/TEND/10/2020-21 Date : 12.08.2020

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)
Short Term Tender Notification KW-3

The Executive Engineer, Project Division, West Zone invites tenders on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP, Bangalore from eligible tenderers for the construction of works detailed in the table below. The tenderers may submit tenders for works given in the table through e-procurement portal of the Government of Karnataka **(viz.https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in).** The Tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the instructions to Tenderers to qualify for award of the contract.

SL No.	Name of the work	Amount put to tender (Rs.in Lakhs)	EMD (in Rupees)
1	Construction of public toilet and other development work surrounding Sharada Colony bus stand in Kamakshipalya in Ward No. 101.	84.00	1,68,000/-
2	Construction of Multipurpose building at 3rd Stage 2nd Block, Basaveshwaranagar in Ward No. 100.	63.00	1,26,000/-
3	Improvements to referral Hospital in Dayanandanagar Ward No. 97.	84.00	1,68,000/-

(1) Tender Documents may be downloaded thorugh e-portal from **17.08.2020 (2)** Last Date & Time for receipt of queries (through E-Portal Only) **20.08.2020 up to 4.00 P.M. (3)** Date & Time for Pre bid Meeting : **24.08.2020 upto 4.00 PM (4)** Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders : **10.09.2020 upto 4.00 PM. (5)** Opening of Bids (Technical Bid) : **14.09.2020 at 4.30 PM. (6)** Opening of Bids (Financial Bid): **16.09.2020** (if Possible). Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer, Project Division, West Zone.

PAY DEVELOPMENT CHARGES-HELP TO DEVELOP BENGALURU

भारत सरकार / Government of India
परमाणु ऊर्जा विभाग / Department of Atomic Energy
जिर्कोनियम परिसर / Zirconium Complex
(नाभिकीय ईंधन सम्मिश्र, हैदराबाद की एक इकाई / A Unit of Nuclear Fuel Complex, Hyderabad)
Pazhayakayal, Tuticorin – 628 152.
Ph: 0461 – 2276161/2276054

BRIEF NOTICE INVITING TENDER

General Manager, Zirconium Complex, Pazhayakayal, Tuticorin invites on behalf of the President of India sealed item rate tenders up to 14:00 hrs. of 07.Sep.2020 for the following work.

Sl No	Name of the Work	Estimated cost	Earnest Money	Period of contract
1	Collection and safe disposal of sodium nitrate residue from Zirconium Complex, Tuticorin - 628 152 **NIT No-ZC/NFC/OPF/Works/75/20-21/1710**	**Rs. 3,18,84,780/-**	**Rs. 6,37,696/-**	**12 (Twelve) months**

Tender forms and other details can be obtained from the O/o Assistant Accounts Officer, ZC on payment of Rs.1,500/- in the form of DD/BC drawn in favour of AAO, ZC, Pazhayakayal from 14.Aug.2020 on all working days . The last date for receipt of applications for purchase of tender form will be up to 16:00 hrs on 31.Aug.2020. For clarification please contact us through telephone : 0461-2276054 & 0461-2276161 E mail- **zc.prp@nfc.gov.in & zc.sns@nfc.gov.in** Other details/ information can be seen on website **www.nfc.gov.in**

GOVT. TOOL ROOM & TRAINING CENTRE
Rajajinagar Industrial Estate, Bengaluru-560010. Phone No. 080-23384303
Fax- 080-23301683 Website: https://karunadu.karnataka.gov.in/gttc

No: GTTC/Admin/CB/2020-21 Date: 12.08.2020

Requires Accounts Assistants on Contract basis

Applications are invited from eligible candidates **for the post of Accounts Assistant on contract basis** for GTTC. This appointment will be on temporary basis for a period of One year. The requirements is as below: **(1)** Qualification: **M.Com. (2)** For the above said post candidates shall be from recognised university /approved colleges. **(3) Age Limit:** Minimum 21 Years Maximum 45 Years as on date of notification. **(4) Salary:** Consolidated pay of **Rs. 21,000/- per month. (5)** Selection will be based on written test cum-interview. **(6)** Interested candidates may download the details and application through website **https://karunadu.karnataka.gov.in/gttc.** The candidates shall submit the duly filled in application along with self attested copies of all the marks cards, degree certificates, other relevant documents with check list to the Managing Director, GTTC. Last date for submission of application is **on 27.08.2020.**

Sd/- Managing Director

SOUTH INDIAN Bank
The South Indian Bank Ltd.,
Regional Office: BANGALORE
Regd. Office: SIB House, TB Road, Mission Quarters, Thrissur, Kerala - 680 001.
Regional Office: SIB Arcade, #61, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore – 560 005.
Tel./ Fax No: +91 80-25479091 / 92 E-mail: ro1010@sib.co.in.
CIN: L65191KL1929PLC001017 I Website: www.southindianbank.com

APPENDIX- IV-A
[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the South Indian Bank Ltd, Branch Bangalore Koramangala (Secured Creditor), the Physical Possession of which has been taken on 12.06.2018 by the Authorised Officer of The South Indian Bank Limited, Regional Office Bangalore (Secured Creditor), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on 08.09.2020, for recovery of an amount of Rs.92,23,636.83 (Rupees Ninety Two Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Six and eighty three paise only) as on 06.08.2020 due to The South Indian Bank Limited, Branch Koramangala, (Secured Creditor) from **Mr. Mohammed Yassir Arafath,** S/O Mr. Abdul Khader, (Proprietor: M/S Highway Plywood At No:40/1 , Sonappa Complex, Opp Freedo Foundation, Hennur Village Main Road- Bangalore-560043), also at No:4, Near Chandrappa House, Konanakunte, Uttarahalli, Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore-560062, also at No 76/B, C-4, 3rd Cross, Hennur Bande, Kalyana Nagar Post, Bangalore-560043, also at 3/A, Radiant Park, 9th Main,11th Cross, Opp. HMR.INTL School, Maruthi Layout, HBR 4th Block, Bangalore-560043 and Guarantor **Mr. M. Shirajuddeen,** S/O Mr. Mohammed Abdulla Mohammed, Libas Manzil, Azad Nagar, Kudlu Post, Kasargod District, Kerala-671124

The reserve price will be Rs.85,45,500.00 (Rupees Eighty Five Lakh Forty Five Thousand Five Hundred only), and the earnest money deposit will be Rs.8,54,550.00 (Rupees Eight Lakh Fifty Four Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty only).

SECURED ASSET

Equitable mortgage of all that piece and parcel of land with all appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface, measuring 2714 Sq Ft at BBMP- Ward No 195 khata No: 39(Site No 3&4), Konanakunte village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District i.e

Site No: 3 (E to W:17 feet, N to S: 46 feet- i.e., measuring 782 Square feet) Boundaries: North: Property of Munirajappa, South:20 feet road, East: Site No 4 / Property of Ramakrishna and West: Site No.2 of Mr Muniraju

Site No: 4 PID No 195-W0051-10 (E to W: 42 feet,N to S: 46 feet ie measuring 1932 Square feet) Boundaries: North: Property of Munirajappa, South: Road, East: Government Drainage and West: Site No.3 / property of Smt Gowramma

The property is covered by Absolute Sale deed No 2620/14-15 dt 06.06.14 SRO J P Nagar [Registration District: Bangalore Urban] and owned by Mr M. Shirajuddeen and Mr Mohammed Yassir Arafath.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in South Indian Bank Ltd, (Secured Creditor) website i.e. www. southindianbank.com

Date : 11.08.2020 **Sd/-**
Place : BANGALORE **AUTHORISED OFFICER**

RBL BANK LTD

Administrative Office: 1st Lane, Shahpuri, Kolhapur-416001
Branch Office: Ground Floor, Prestige Towers, 99 & 100, Residency Road, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560025

PUBLIC NOTICE-SALE OF SECURED ASSET

Sale Notice under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act, 2002 and under the rules of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

The below mentioned borrower at Column No.1 has availed Loan Against Property Facility against the mortgage of immovable asset mentioned at Column No. 2 hereunder. The amount of total outstanding dues is mentioned at Column No.3 hereunder is recoverable from the said borrower. The Authorized Officer of the Bank issued demand notice under section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act' 2002 calling upon the Borrower at Sr. No.1 hereunder and others concerned to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days. The said borrower failed to repay the said amount hence the Authorized Officer has taken over the Symbolic Possession of the immovable asset mentioned at Column No. 2 hereunder. The asset is offered for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS" "AS IS WHAT IS"**and **"WHATEVER THERE IS"** basis under the provisions of the SARFAESI Act 2002. The sale transaction shall be conducted by calling sealed tenders and negotiations with all the valid offers after opening the tenders when the offers will be given an opportunity to increase their offers.

Name of Account/ Borrower/ Mortgagor/ Guarantor	Description of Property	Amount outstanding	Reserve price	Place Date and time of auction sale
M/S. AAYUG MULTI SPECIALITY HOSPITAL 477 1ST MAIN AECS LAYOUT B BLOCK KUNDALAHALLY BANGALORE, KARNATAKA – 560037 **(Borrower)** **MR. DR GOPALA KRISHNAN M S** 477 B BLOCK 1ST MAIN B BLOCK NEAR CMRIT AECS LAYOUT KUNDALAHALLI BANGALORE, KARNATAKA – 560037 **ALSO AT....** **M/S. AAYUG MULTI SPECIALITY HOSPITAL** 477 1ST MAIN AECS LAYOUT B BLOCK KUNDALAHALLY BANGALORE, KARNATAKA – 560037 **(Co-Borrower, Guarantor & Mortgagor)** **MRS. UMA GOPALAKRISHNAN** 477 B BLOCK 1ST MAIN B BLOCK NEAR CMRIT AECS LAYOUT KUNDALAHALLI BANGALORE, KARNATAKA – 560037 **(Co-Borrower)**	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY:** All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal New No. 10, Old No.15, PID No. 77-106-10, situated at Poorna Prasad Road, Bangalore, measuring East to West 96 feet and North to South 86.3 feet, in all measuring 8284.8 Sq.ft., and Bounded On: East By : Site No. 11, Old No.16, West By: Site No. 9, Old No.14, North By: Site No. 37, Old No.10, and South By: Road. **SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY:** Three Bedrooms Flat bearing No.102, Ground Floor of the Schedule 'A' Property, having Super built up area of 2761 Sqft., with an undivided share in the land equivalent to 753 Sqft., along with Two Covered Car Parking space in the Basement, constructed with Brick and Cement, Vitrified Tiles Flooring, Teak Wood Doors and Windows, RCC Roof, together with all civic amenities along with common use of approach to Car Park Area and Staircase etc., and Bounded on the: East By : Flat No. 101, West By: Open to Sky and Private Property, North By: Open to Sky and Private Property, and South By: Open to Sky and Road.	**Rs. 3,41,81,661.64/- (Rupees Three Crore Forty One Lakh Eighty One Thousand Six hundred Sixty One And Sixty Four Paisa only)** With further interest and charges thereon.	Rs. 4,02,00,000/- (Rupees Four Crore Two Lakh Only)	RBL Bank Ltd., Ground Floor, Prestige Towers, 99 & 100, Residency Road, Bangalore, Karnataka – 560025 Date: 14.09.2020 Time 11.00 a. m.

1) The prescribed Tender Form and the terms and conditions of sale will be available at **RBL Bank Ltd. Ground Floor, Prestige Towers, 99 & 100, Residency Road, Bangalore 560025 from 13th August 2020 to 11th September 2020 between 10:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M on** any working day.
2) The last date for receiving sealed tenders at **RBL Bank Ltd. Ground Floor, Prestige Towers, 99 & 100, Residency Road, Bangalore 560025 is 11th September 2020 up to 5.00 P.M.**
3) Date and Time of opening tenders at our Branch: **RBL Bank Ltd Ground Floor, Prestige Towers, 99 & 100, Residency Road, Bangalore 560025 is 14th September 2020 at 11.00 A.M.**
4) The aforesaid asset shall not be sold below reserve price.
5) The intending tenderer(s) shall submit their tender papers in a sealed cover super scribing "Tenders for the purchase of said property" along with earnest money Deposit (EMD), being 10% of Reserve Price by way of Demand daft issued by a scheduled commercial bank favouring, "Authorised officer, RBL Bank Ltd." conducting the sale.
6) Time and manner of payment:
a) Payment of 25% of the offer amount immediately on acceptance of the offer by the Bank.
b) Balance within 15 days of acceptance of the offer by the bank.
c) In case of default of payment, all amounts paid shall be forfeited.
7) The above sale shall be subject to the final approval of RBL Bank Ltd.
8) Interested parties are requested to verify/confirm the statutory and other dues like Sales/Property tax, Electricity dues, and society dues, from the respective departments/offices. The Bank does not undertake any responsibility of payment of above dues.
9) The particulars in respect of the assets specified herein above have been stated to the information of the undersigned who however shall not be responsible for any error, misstatement of omission in the said particulars. The prospective purchasers, tenders are therefore requested to check and confirm in their own interest these particulars and other details in respect of the property before submitting tenders.
10) For inspection of assets you may contact **Rajesh Kumar A, Deputy Vice President-Retail Litigation** at Mob: 9945093174 or Email: rajesh.kumara@rblbank.com during office hours (10.00 AM to 5.00 PM) on week days.
11) Sale is strictly subject to the terms and conditions incorporated in this advertisement and in to the prescribed tender form.
12) The Borrower, respective tenderers, guarantors, owners of the property under sale may, if they so desire give his/their best possible offers for the property offered for sale provided they follow all the requirements contained herein above.
13) The Authorised Officer, at his discretion may give opportunity to the bidders/tenderers/offerers to increase their bid/offers after opening of the tenders. The bidders/tenderers/offerers are therefore requested to remain present themselves or through duly authorized and empowered representative. The bidders/tenderers/offerers shall improve their further offers in multiples of Rs. 50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only).
14) The Borrower, respective tenderers, guarantors, owners of the property or their authorized representative may remain present at the time of opening the tenders.
15) Bank reserves the right to accept/reject any/all offers/tenders without assigning any reason, whatsoever. No Brokerage will be paid by the Bank.
16) The successful bidder/offerer shall bear all stamp duty, registration fees, and incidental expenses for getting sale certificate.

30 DAYS SALE NOTICE TO THE BORROWER/GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR

The above mentioned Borrower/Mortgagor/guarantor are hereby noticed to pay the sum as mentioned in section-13(2) Notice with up to date interest and expenses before the date of Auction failing which the property will be auctioned and balance dues, if any, will be recovered with interest and cost from you.

Place: Bangalore
Date: 13/08/2020

For RBL Bank Ltd.
Rajesh Kumar A, Authorized Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients **Mr. R. Madhu S/o K. Ramanayak and Smt. K C Shreelatha Bai,** R/at No.515, 1st Cross, G. R. Layout, Cholanagara, R T Nagar Post, Bangalore 560032 intending to purchase the schedule property from **Mr. Akram Pasha S/o Abdul Salam** who claims to be the absolute owner of schedule property.

Any person or persons who has got any claim or right, title and interest over the schedule property shall inform the under signed with documentary proof within **07 days** hereof failing which my client will proceed with the said transaction complying with all legal formalities.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of portion of agricultural land bearing **Sy No.43 (Old No.11) measuring 0-10 1/4 guntas, situated at Gudimavu, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore Urban District** bounded by **East by :** Portion of Sy No.43 belonging to Babulal Kothari, **West by :** Portion of Sy No.43 belonging to Ziaulla B. S, **North by :** 12 Mts Road and portion of Sy No.43, **South by :** Land belonging to Maqbool Ahmed.

D. P. MAHESH, Advocate
No.22/1, 3rd Floor, Kanishka Hotel Road, Gandhinagar, Bangalore-560009
PH: 9980549946, 9945425854.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - 1 AT BENGALURU
No. 4, LIC Building, Residency Road, Bengaluru -560025
OA No. 461/2019

BETWEEN
Karnataka Gramin Bank,
Bellandur Branch
Outer Ring Road, Bellandur,
Bangalore - 560103. ..... Applicant Bank
AND
1)Sri. Mohan. K. and Others ...Defendants
1. Shri. Mohan.K
S/o Sri. Kannappa., No.511, 8th Cross, 1st Main, Chowdeshwari Nagar, Laggere, Bangalore- 560058
2. Smt. Lalitha. N
W/o Sri. Mohan.K., No.511, 8th Cross, 1st Main, Chowdeshwari Nagar, Laggere, Bangalore- 560058

Summons Issued Under Rule 23(viii) of The Debt Recovery Tribunal (Procedure) Rules 1993 by Paper Publication.

Whereas the applicant has instituted the application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts and Bankruptcy Act, 1993, against you to repay the applicant bank a sum of **Rs. 15,65,464/-** together with current and future interest plus other charges. You are hereby summoned to appear before the tribunal in person or by a pleader duly instructed and able to answer all material questions relating to the suit on **03-09-2020 at 11.00am.**
Take notice that, in default of your appearance on the day before mentioned, the suit will be heard and determined in your absence.
Given under my hand and the seal of the tribunal on this **3rd day of August 2020.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-1, Bangalore

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

Branch: Jayanagar
P.B.No. 1120, 9th Main Road, 3rd Block, Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560011.
Ph.: +91-80-26347540/26630533
E-mail: jayana@bankofbaroda.com
www.bankofbaroda.com

POSSESSION NOTICE

See Rule - 8(1) (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the Undersigned being Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda Jayangar Branch, Bangalore** under The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 has issued a Demand Notices calling upon the Borrowers/Mortgagors /Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned In the notice within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, Notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub Section 4 of Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on below mentioned dates.
The Borrowers / Mortgagors / Guarantors in particular and the Public in General are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charges of the **Bank of Baroda, Jayanagar Branch, Bangalore** for an amount interest and Other Charges mentioned below.
The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower Mr.H.V.Revanna and Mr.Chandrashekar Shetty
Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 1,31,60,980.00 (Rupees One Crore Thirty One Lakhs Sixty Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Only) and interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment.
Demand Notice Dated : 03.03.2020 Possession Notice Date: 07.08.2020
Description of the Scheduled Property : All that piece and Parcel of immoveable Property bearing Municipal No. 3, Khata No.14/1, HouseList No. 3, situated at Uttarahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, coming under the limits of BBMP, Ward No. 184, Uttarahalli, Bangalore, measuring East to West - 30 Feet and North to South - 50 Feet, totally measuring 1500 Sq. Ft., comprising of GF measuring 1170 Sft., of SBA, FF measuring 1170 Sft., of SBA and SF measuring 1070 Sft., of SBA and bounded on the: East by : Property No.2, West by: Property No. 4, North by : Private Property, South by: 30 Feet Road.

2. Name and Address of the Borrower Mr.Sudhakar B.S. and Mrs. Sweta M.
Total amount mentioned in the notice : Rs. 47,83,712.14 (Rupees Forty Seven Lakhs Eight Three Thousand Seven Hundred Twelve and Fourteen Paise Only) and interest thereon at the contractual rate plus costs, charges and expenses till date of payment.
Demand Notice Dated : 11.03.2020 Possession Notice Date: 07.08.2020
Description of the Scheduled 'A' Property : All that piece and parcel of the converted lands (ALN(SK)SR(K):87/08-09 dated 19.05.2008) bearing Sy No. 1 to 26 of Venkatapura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring in all about 51 acres 9.6 guntas including 9 guntas of the converted A Kharab land together with B Kharab lands and building plan approved by the BDA and bounded on the: East by : 3 Meters access road and thereafter Dodabele Village boundary, West by : Kambipura Village Boundary, North by : Doddabele Village Boundary, South by : Vrushavhavathi Valley and Private Property.
Scheduled 'B' Property: (Description of the apartment belonging to Mr.Sudhakar.B.S and Mrs. Shwetha.M) 0.0180% undivided share, right, title and interest which approximately measuring 383.69 sq ft in the schedule A Property. All that piece and parcel of the apartment No. SUN-II-5J-701, on the Seventh Floor, in the 5J block/wing of the residential complex known as 'PROVIDENT SUNWORTH' having carpet area of 775 sq.ft (which is inclusive of balconies, utility space) or a plinth/built up area of 894 sq.ft (which is inclusive of balconies, utility space and walls of the apartment) and proportionate common area of 188 sq.ft with one semi stilt car parking.

Date : 07.08.2020
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Bank Of Baroda

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pnb Housing Finance Limited
Ghar Ki Baat

Registered Office : 9th Floor, Antriksh Bhawan, 22, K.G. Marg, New Delhi-110 001
Phones : 011-23357171, 23357172, 23705414, Website : www.pnbhousing.com

BRANCH ADDRESS :- Property bearing No. 05, Mathushree Arcade, 100 Ft Ring Road, 1st Phase, 2nd Stage, BTM Layout, Bangalore 560076, E-Mail: Bangalore@pnbhousing.com, website:- www.pnbhousing.com

APPENDIX -IV-A

PUBLIC NOTICE-E-AUCTION CUM SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction-Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets Under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the borrower(s) & guarantor(s) indicated in Column no-A that the below described immovable property (ies) described in Column No.-D mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/Physical Possession of which has been taken (as described in Column No. - C) by the authorized Officer of M/s PNB Housing Finance Limited (PNB HFL)/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS and WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS"** as per the details mentioned below.
Notice is hereby given to borrower(s)/mortgagor(s)/Legal Heirs, Legal Representative, (whether Known or Unknown), executor(s), administrator(s), successor(s), assignee(s) of the respective borrowers/ mortgagor(s)(since deceased) as the case may be indicated in Column No. - A under Rule-8(6) & 9 of the Security Interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 amended as on date. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in M/s. PNB Housing Finance Limited (PNBHFL), **secured creditor's website i.e. www.pnbhousing.com.**

Loan No. / Name of the Borrower/Co-Borrower/ Guarantor(s)/ Legal heirs (A)	Demanded Amount & Date (B)	Nature of Possession (C)	Description of the Properties Mortgaged (D)	Reserve Price (RP) (E)	EMD (10% of RP) (F)	Last Date of Submission of Bid (G)	Bid Incremental Rate (H)	Inspection Date & Time (I)	Date of Auction & Time (J)	Known Encumbrances/ Court Case, if any, (K)
1). **NHL/MRH/0316/276670, Mr. Kapil Varma & Mrs. Rama chari Varma & M/s. Sanka India Pvt Ltd.**	16.10.2018 **Rs. 4,14,89,517.90** (Rupees Four Crore Fourteen Lakhs Eighty Nine Thousand Five Hundred Seventeen & Ninety Paisa Only)	**(Physical)**	All that piece and parcel of Property The residential villa No. 158, BEECH type, "Prestige Ozone" consisting of ground floor and first floor, admeasuring 3190 sq. feet, situated at Hagadur Village Panchayat, K.R. Puram Hobli, **Bangalore South taluk, Bangalore- 560066. and Bounded on as follows: East by:** villa no. 159 in Beech type, **West by:** villa No. 157 in Acorn type, **North by:** villa No. 155 in Beech, **South by:** internal layout Road.	**Rs. 2,47,50,000/-** (Rupees Two Crore Forty Seven Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	**Rs. 24,75,000/-** (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Seventy Five Thousand Only)	26-08-2020	**Rs. 50,000/-** (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only)	24.08.2020 11:00 A.M. To 05.00 P.M.	29.08.2020 11:00 A.M. To 02.30 P.M.	****Nil/Not Known**

***Together with the further interest @18% p.a. as applicable, incidental expenses, cost, charges etc. incurred upto the date of payment and/or realization thereof. ** To the best knowledge and information of the authorized Officer of PNB Housing Finance Limited, there are no other encumbrances/ claims in respect of above mentioned immovable/secured assets except what is disclosed in the Column No.- K. Further such encumbrances to be catered/paid by the successful purchaser/bidder at his/her end. The prospective purchaser(s)/bidders are requested to independently ascertain the veracity of the mentioned encumbrances.**

1. As on date, there is no order restraining and/or court injunction PNBHFL/the authorized Officer of PNBHFL from selling, alienating and/or disposing of the above immovable properties/secured assets.
2. The prospective purchaser/bidder and interested parties may independently take the inspection of the pleading in the proceedings/orders passed etc. if any, stated in Column No. -K. Including but not limited to the title of the documents of the title pertaining thereto available with the PNBHFL and satisfy themselves in all respects prior to submitting tender/bid application form or making Offer(s).
3. **M/s. NexXen Solutions Private Limited** would be assisting the authorized Officer in conducting sale through an E-Auction in the web portal (https:\\DisposalHub.com). For any assistance related to inspection of the property or obtaining the bid documents and for any other query or to registration, you have to co-ordinate with the Client Service Delivery (CSD) department mobile no. +91 97100 29933, +91 98100 29926, telephone no. +91 124 4 233 933, having its corporate office at **NexXen Solutions Private Limited,** 2nd Floor, Shree Shyam Palace, Sector: 4&5 Crossing, Railway Road, Gurugram - 122006 **or Mr. Naveen P, Mob No. 9108344777 or Mr. Saju KV Mob No. 6366756737 or Mr. Iqbal Alam, Mobile No- 9958195453 authorized person of PNBHFL or refer www.pnbhousing.com.**

Place : BANGALORE
Date : 12-08-2020

Sd/- Authorized Officer
PNB Housing Finance Limited

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -1
BENGALURU
No. 4, Second Floor, LIC Jeevan Mangal Building, Residency Road, Bangalore - 560 025, Karnataka.
FORM No.14 [See Regulation 33(2)]

DRC NO: 260/2019

UCO Bank,
Plot No.2-A, 5th Main,
III Phase, Peenya Industrial Area,
Bengaluru - 560 058.
- Certificate Holder

Versus

Mr. Srinivasa D.R. & Others
- Certified Debtors

DEMAND NOTICE

1. Mr. Srinivas D.R.
S/o Sri. Ramu,
Res at : NO.3756,
8th Cross, Gayathri Nagar,
Rajajinagar, 2nd Stage,
Bengaluru - 560 021.
2. Mrs. Pushpa
W/o. Srinivas D.R.
Res at: No.3756,
8th Cross, Gayathri Nagar,
Rajajinagar, 2nd Stage,
Bengaluru - 560 021.
3. M/s. Mayur Daffodils,
At No.87, 27th Main,
First Floor, Opp Police Station,
HSR Layout,
Bengaluru - 560 102
Represented by
Its Managing Partner

In view of the recovery Certificate issued in **OA No.1177/2017** passed by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, DRT, Bengaluru on **29.5.2019** an amount of **Rs.41,26,524/- (Rupees Forty One Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Four Only)** is due against you along with interest and costs from date of filing of O.A.s till realization.
You are hereby called upon to deposit the above sum within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules. In addition to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay:
a) Such interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings.
b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.
Given under my hand seal of the Tribunal on **25th day of June 2019.**

(DEEPA INDUVANI.S)
RECOVERY OFFICER-II
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1, BENGALURU

NOTE : Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act, 1961 read with recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act 1993 which is reproduced below.
Rule 16(1) Where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debts Recovery Officer, nor shall any civil court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.
(2) Where an attachment has been made under this Schedule, any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment shall be void as against all claims enforceable under the attachment.

HDFC HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LTD.
Regd. Office: Ramon House, H T Parekh Marg, 169, Backbay Reclamation, Churchgate, Mumbai-400020 Corporate Identity No. L70100MH1977PLC019916 Branch Address : HDFC House, #51, Kasturba Road, Bangalore-560001. Ph: 41183000/232, Fax: 080-22275754, e-mail: info.bangalore@hdfc.com
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION LIMITED.

DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13 (2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Whereas the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of **Housing Development Finance Corporation Ltd. (HDFC Limited)** under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notices under Section 13 (2) of the said Act, calling upon the Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) listed hereunder, to pay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice/s, within **60 days** from the date of the respective Notice/s, as per details given below. The undersigned have, caused these Notices to be pasted on the premises of the last known respective addresses of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s). Copies of the said Notices are available with the undersigned, and the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) , may, if they so desire, collect the respective copy from the undersigned on any working day during normal office hours.
In connection with the above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) to pay to **HDFC Limited,** within **60 days** from the date of publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated hereinbelow in their respective names, together with further interest @ 18% p.a. as detailed in the said Demand Notices from the respective dates mentioned below in column (c) till the date of payment and / or realisation, read with the loan agreement and other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following Secured Asset(s) have been mortgaged to **HDFC Limited** by the said Borrower (s) respectively.

Sl. No.	Name of Borrower(s) /Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s)	Loan A/c No. And Total Outstanding Dues	Description of Immovable property / Secured Asset
(a)	(b)	(C)	(f)
1.	**(1) Mr.D K Raju (Borrower)** No.02, Sarjapura Road, Dommasandra Circle, Yamare, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru 562125 **Also at:** Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) **Designation:** Sn Technician **Designation:** New Process Shop **Employee No:** 1326/71875 1326/7187506 New Process Shop, Aircraft Division, Vimana Pura, HAL, Bengalur 560017 **Also at:** Unit-83, Plot - 83, S2 Avenues, Kadagrahara Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Bengaluru 562125. **(2) Mrs.Manjula S (Co-Borrower)** No.02, Sarjapura Road, Dommasandra Circle, Yamare, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru 562125 **Also at:** Unit-83, Plot - 83, S2 Avenues, Kadagrahara Village, Sarjapur Hobli, Bengaluru 562125.	**(1) Loan A/c No 624524880 Rs.23,98,048/-** **(2) Loan A/c No 625084261 Rs.85,756/-** **Due as on 30.06.2020** **Date of Demand Notice** **(d)** **28.07.2020** **Date of NPA** **(e)** **31.03.2020**	**Schedule 'A' Property** All that piece and parcel of the immovable property being residentialy converted land bearing (1) Sy.No.19/1, measuring 30.75 Guntas, (2) Sy.No.19/2, measuring 1 Acre 33 Guntas, (3) Sy.No.19/3, measuring 32 Guntas, (4) Sy.No.19/4, measuring 30.75 Guntas, (5) Sy.No.19/5, measuring 30.50 Guntas, (6) Sy.No.20/1, measuring 36 Guntas, (7) Sy.No.20/2, measuring 32 Guntas, (8) Sy.No.20/3, measuring 2 Acres 32 Guntas, (9) Sy.No.21/1, measuring 24.5 Guntas, (10) Sy.No.21/2, measuring 2 Acres 28 Guntas, (11) Sy.No.21/3, measuring 28 Guntas, (12) Sy.No.21/4, measuring 34 Guntas, (13) Sy.No.23, measuring 2 Acres 2 Guntas, (14) Sy.No.35/1, measuring 9 Guntas, (15) Sy.No.35/2, measuring 7 Guntas, in all measuring 16 acres 29.5 Guntas, and all the above said survey numbers have formed a Residential Layout in the name of "S2 Avenues" and being approved by BMRDA, vide Sanction **No.APA/LAO/79/2014-15, dated 04/06/2015**, and situated at Senart City, Kadaagrahara Village, SarjapuraHobli, Anekal Taluk, Presently within Bangalore Urban District and bounded by: **East:** BMRDA approved S2 Avani Layout, West: Survey No.25, **North:** Limits of Kadaagrahara Village, **South :** Limits of B-Hosahalli Village. **Schedule 'B' Property** All that piece and parcel of the immovable Property bearing Vacant **Site No.83,** bearing **Katha No.584/83, PID No.150200100100920272** carved out land bearing **Sy.No.19/2** duly converted to Residential use vide Conversion Order No.**ALN (A) (S): SR: 263/2013-14, Dated 08/05/2014 and Sy.No.20/1** duly converted to Residential use vide conversion order No.**ALN (A) (S): 278/2013-14, Dated 08/05/2014** in the residential layout known as **"S2 Avenues"** developed in the schedule "A" Property, measuring **East to West: 15.00 Meters and North to South: 9.00 Meters, in all measuring 135 Square Meters equivalent to 1453.128 Square Feet and bounded on by: East :**Site No.50, **West :** 9.14 Meter Road, **North:** Site No.84, **South :** Site No.82.
2.	**Mr. Mallikarjun Paleti (Borrower)** No.910, Sarjapura Road, AET College Road, Doddakannall, Carmelaram, Bengaluru 560035. **Also at:** Embassy Property Developments Private Limited **Designation:** Senior Project Manager **Designation:** Projects Embassy Golf Links Business Park, Loyal Oaks Off Intermediate Ring Road, Ground Floor Domlur, Opposite Hilton Hotle, Bengaluru 560071 **Also at :** Plot 3, House 3, Janjar No.408, Zonal Office 2, Fort Mohalla, Nachanahalli, Mysore 570008.	**(1) Loan A/c No 632281029 Rs.40,74,002/-** **(2) Loan A/c No 632281050 Rs.19,60,431/-** **(3) Loan A/c No 633127576 Rs.1,53,940/-** **Due as on 30.06.2020** **Date of Demand Notice** **(d)** **28.07.2020** **Date of NPA** **(e)** **31.01.2020**	All that piece and parcel of **Site bearing No.03,** Janjar No.408 measuring East to West: 50.00 Feet and North to South: 80.00 Feet, situated at Nachanahalli Layout, Zonal Office-2, Khille Mohalla, Mysuru and bounded on the **East:** Private Property, **West :** Property bearing No.2, **North:** Property bearing No.6 and **South:** Road. And any construction thereon.

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If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to **HDFC Limited** as aforesaid, then **HDFC Limited** shall proceed against the above Secured Asset(s) / Immovable Property (ies) under Section 13 (4) of the said Act and the applicable Rules entirely at the risk of the said Borrower(s) / Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative(s) as to the costs and consequences.
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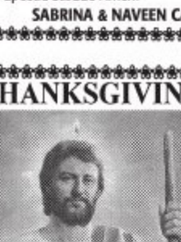

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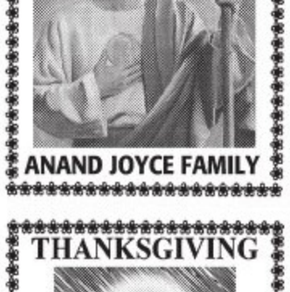

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CHANGE OF NAME

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I, **BRAGADEESH AROULMOZHI,** S/o Aroulmozhi Radhakrishnan, R/a No. AZ-3222, Casa Paradiso3, Sobha City, Thanisandra Road, Nagareshwara Nagenahalli, Bengaluru North, Dr. Shivarama Karanth Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560077, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **BRAGADEESH** to **BRAGADEESH AROULMOZHI**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **BRAGADEESH AROULMOZHI** only, vide affidavit dated 11-08-2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **G. RAJENDRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **IDA PREETHI,** D/o I S Wilson Alexander, aged about 46 years, R/a No. 217, Adonai Palms 303, 3rd Floor, Basavanna Layout, BDS Garden, Kothanur Post, Bengaluru-560077, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SIMON IDA PREETHI** to **IDA PREETHI**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **IDA PREETHI** only, vide affidavit dated 10-08-2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D. GUNASHEKAR** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ROOPAM MISHRA** spouse of RAMA KANT MISHRA resident of SMQ No. 397/5, 6th Camp, Air Force Station, Jalahalli East, Bangalore, Karnataka - 560014 have changed my name from **ROOPAM MISHRA** to **RUPAM MISHRA**, vide Affidavit Dated 08-08-2020 Before Advocate and Notary **D SARALA KUMARI,** Reg No. 10192 Bangalore Karnataka.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO. JC 310877N SUB Ramesh.R.V. 4 ENGR REGT, 56 FD Coy, C/o 99 APO PIN:914004, have changed my Daughter name from **R.S.PRAGATHI** to **R.S.PRAGATHY** vide affidavit Dated 11/08/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO. JC 313193H NB/SUB Charn Singh Record Office MEG C/o 56 APO 900493, have changed my Mother name from **KHOSALLYA DEVI** to **KAUSHALYA DEVI** vide affidavit Dated 11/08/2020 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) RADHIKA.A, W/o Robert.P.Daniel, residing at No. 37, 10th 'A' Cross, 7th Main, Agrahara Dasarahalli, Bangalore-560079, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) RADHIKA FLORENCE** vide affidavit Dated 01/07/2020 sworn before Notary S.R.Deepa Srinivas, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(Old Name) DONA CHACKO** D/o A.V.Chacko, Aged 22 Years, Residing at Flat No. 6G, 203, Provident Sunworth, Kengeri Hobli, Venkatapura, Bangalore -560 060, Karnataka, India. Shall Henceforth be known as **(New Name) SHREYA** Vide affidavit dated: 10/08/2020, Before Notary Ravi, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **NIKITHA RAO BHAMBORE SATHYANARAYAN RAO** D/o **Sathyanarayan Rao B.S,** R/at No.404, Shiva Nialaya, 5th main, 6th cross, 2nd Phase, Banashankari 3rd Stage, Bangalore- 560085 have changed my name to **NIKITHA RAO** vide affidavit dated:12/08/2020 before Notary **H.G.Padmanabha Rao** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) INDRANI SRIDHAR, W/o. Aditya Sharma, residing at No. 183, Maramma Temple Street, Kathriguppe, B.S.K. 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) INDRANI SHARMA** vide affidavit dated 12/08/2020 sworn before Notary Hemalatha.P., Bangalore.

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The darsan of Sabarimala Lord Ayyappa will be out of bounds for lakhs of devotees this year owing to Covid-19 related restrictions. Only 25,000 persons will be allowed entry to the temple, according to the Travancore Devaswom Board

Calicut crash: Airline has to pay ₹1.19 cr to victims' kin

Relatives of victims of 2010 air crash yet to receive full compensation

DHINESH KALLUNGAL @T'Puram

AIR India Express will have to pay a compensation of around Rs 1.19 crore each to the next of kin of victims of the plane crash at Calicut International Airport as per the Montreal Convention treaty, which imposes penalties on air carriers for the death of passengers due to negligence.

Since the passengers and aircraft were insured, the insurance company will have to pay the amount to the heirs of the deceased and the injured. However, if one goes by the experience of the Mangaluru air crash victims, the kin of victims of the crash will have to really sweat it out to get their legitimate compensation.

The relatives of some of the victims of the 2010 air crash are yet to receive full compensation even now. A case filed by the Mangalore Air Crash Victims' Families Association for getting a second tier of compensation for the kin of Mohammed Salam, a Kasaragod native who was killed in the accident, is still under consideration of the Supreme Court.

The compensation to a victim is calculated based on the payment of 1,13,100 Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) for international flights. Earlier, the liability limit for damages in case of death or bodily injury for each person was 1,00,000 SDRs. But in 2016, the Centre amended the Carriage By Air (Amendment) Act of 2016, based on the Montreal Convention in 2009, which unified the rules governing compensation to passengers globally, and raised the SDR limit to 1,13,100.

> **All victims are eligible for the first tier of compensation. The claim beyond it will depend on the eligibility of each person based on their profession, experience and a lot of other factors**
>
> Narayanan Killingom, vice-prez of Mangalore Air Crash Victims' Families

Further, the kin of victims are also eligible for separate compensation for lost, delayed or damaged cargo.

The compensation amount will be varied based on the fluctuation in the value of currency and dollar in the international market. At present, one SDR is equivalent to $1.41 and Indian rupee closed at Rs 74.76 to the US dollar on Wednesday. Hence, as per the market value on Wednesday, the compensation amount must be Rs 1,19,22,051.96.

Advocate Kodoth Sreedharan Nair, who appeared for the family of a victim in the Mangalore crash in the Kerala High Court, said, "The next of kin of the victims are eligible to get 1,13,100 SDRs as an automatic entitlement as per the Montreal Convention and this cannot be challenged by the airline company. Further, they can also claim additional compensation based on their eligibility, but airlines can defend the claim beyond the set SDR limit," he said.

Narayanan Killingom, vice-president of Mangalore Air Crash Victims' Families Association, said in the 2010 crash, the kin of some of the victims had received Rs 30-40 lakh, while some others received up to Rs 3 crore. The pilot reportedly received Rs 8 crore. "All victims are eligible for the first tier of compensation (automatic entitlement) of 1,13,100 SDRs. The claim beyond it will depend on the eligibility of each person based on their profession, experience and a lot of other factors. The airline company tried to reduce the amount much below the automatic entitlement for which they had hired a law firm after the Mangalore incident," he said.

According to sources, the insurance premium for the airlines will shoot up after every accident.

K'taka's first timetabled freight train to leave for WB on I-Day

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SOUTH Western Railways will cross a huge milestone on Saturday when its first timetabled freight train rolls out of the Whitefield Satellite Goods Terminal to Shalimar station in West Bengal.

Customers have been allowed to book individual wagons on this weekly train, which will run on an increased speed of 40 kmph instead of the usual 25 kmph.

The train will depart at 5 pm every Saturday from the satellite terminal and reach Shalimar 48 hours later. In the return direction, it will depart at 4 pm on Tuesdays.

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager (Bengaluru) A N Krishna Reddy said "This will be the first time that those dispatching parcels will be able to book only a wagon in this rake comprising 42 wagons. We had been permitting booking of a complete train so far." A wagon can carry a capacity of 60,000 kg (60 tonnes). "This will benefit those opting for road transport as freight transport by trains is 40% cheaper since it costs an average of Rs 2,500 per tonne," he said.

Indian Railways began running freight trains on a pilot basis on a few routes in the country from July 25 this year.

GOODIES ON A GOOD DAY

Jumbos enjoy a feast on World Elephant Day at Nehru Zoological Park in Hyderabad on Wednesday | EXPRESS

'Panicked bus driver failed to open exits'

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BASAVARAJ KODIHAL, a 22-year old BMTC staffer, who was travelling back to Bengaluru, said, "When I saw fire engulfing the bus, I jumped out by breaking the window." Many passengers suffered minor injuries in the melee and are being treated at the Hiriyur taluk hospital.

SP G Radhika, who visited the spot, said the bus driver did not open the main door and emergency exits. During preliminary investigation, it was found that he panicked and fled. But he returned immediately and alerted the passengers to escape from the burning bus, she said. The cleaner of the bus is absconding and the accident was because of negligent driving, she added. The SP also said that she will recommend to the Transport Department to cancel the licence of Kukkeshree Travels, to which the bus belongs.

This is the third incident where a bus has caught fire in Hiriyur taluk. On April 16, 2014, six people from Davangere were killed at Metikurike. On January 21 this year, a Belagavi-bound KSRTC Corona bus caught fire near Aimangala toll gate. However, timely action of the bus driver saved the lives of passengers.

BENGALURU RIOTS

Haven't spoken to nephew since decade: MLA

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THE MLA told *The New Indian Express* that soon after Naveen's Facebook post became viral, a huge mob of 3,000 to 4,000 people gheraoed and torched his house in Kaval Byrasandra. "None of them were from my constituency.

They were outsiders and had come prepared with iron rods and fuel. This was a well-planned attack. They didn't give us any time to call the police. I don't rule out political reasons behind it," he said.

Srinivasa Murthy, a popular politician, said he has not been on talking terms with Naveen for a decade now. But Naveen's photograph is present in all hoardings of Murthy in Kaval Byrasandra. "He is 25 years old and unemployed. He maybe exploiting his uncle's image for his own vested interests," said a source in the know of the local politics. Naveen got married two months ago.

Devara Jeevana Halli and Kadugondana Halli, the two commercial and residential areas, are the communal nerve centres of Bengaluru. w"The city police were on high alert on the eve of the Ram Janmabhoomi foundation-laying ceremony in Ayodhya on August 5, but fortunately, the day passed off peacefully without a single incident. Tuesday's violence happened exactly a week later.

DJ Halli and KG Halli, along with some other areas, have been on alert since August 5, 2019, when the Centre abrogated Article 370 in Jammu & Kashmir followed by anti-CAA and NRC protests. DJ Halli was the venue of the Bilal Bagh protest on the lines of Shaheen Bagh in Delhi," said another officer.

That the Popular Front of India (PFI) and SDPI have a strong presence in DJ Halli and KG Halli is not a secret. " The SDPI is trying to strengthen its vote base in the area, but not everybody supports them. The police depend on local people for ground-level information," he added.

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Notice, Schedule of dates for submitting application and other details is available on Coal India Limited Official website at www.coalIndia.in under Marketing & Sales section under sub head General Notice. The last date for submission of the application is 25.8.2020.

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Office of the Chief Health Officer (Clinical), BBMP Head Office, 2nd Floor, Annex-2 Building, N R Square, Bengaluru - 560 002.
No: BBMP/2020-21/IND606 Date: 12.08.2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION

Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike Invites Proposal from Eligible Bidders for the **Supply of Madilu Kit to BBMP Maternity Homes / Referral Hospitals.**
Following are the Events of Bid Process:

1.	Tender number	BBMP/2020-21/IND606
2.	Date of Commencement of Download of Document from eprocurement website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in	From 12.08.2020
3.	Last Date and Time for Uploading Online Queries in e-Procurement Portal	17.08.2020 upto 5:00 pm
4.	Date and Time of Pre-Bid Meeting:	17.08.2020 at 11:00 am at the following venue: Meeting Hall, 2nd Floor, Dasappa Hospital Compound, Bengaluru-560 002 Phone: 080-22975656.
5.	Last Date and Time for Uploading Tenders in e-procurement portal	27.08.2020 upto 5:00 pm
6.	Date and Time of Opening Tenders in the E-portal	28.08.2020 5:30 pm
7.	Place of Opening of Tender	Online at e-Procurement Portal
8.	Address for Communication:	Office of Chief Health Officer (Clinical), BBMP Head Office, 2nd Floor, Annex-2 Building, NR Square, Bengaluru -02, Phone: 080-22112019, Email: tenderhealthclinicalbbmp@gmail.com

1) Tender Documents may be downloaded from the Website: **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** 2) Tenderers must provide Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) as specified in the tender document which shall have to be made through electronic System 3) Other details can be seen in the tender documents.

Sd/-
Chief Health Officer (Clinical)

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TENDER NOTIFICATION
(e-Procurement Mode only)

Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited, invites tenders for the following Civil Engineering works.

1) Tender No: KPTCL/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT7179 for Construction of 110kV SC line on DC towers from existing 110/11kV Takkalaki Sub Station to Proposed 2x10MVA, 110/11kV sub Station at Kanmadi with Lynx ACSR conductor for a distance of 20Kms in Vijayapur Taluk, Vijayapur District.

2) Tender No: KPTCL/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT7181 for Construction of 2nd circuit on the existing DC towers from 110/11kV KIADB Vijayapur Sub Station to M/s ETCO Denim for distance of 3.5 Kms and new SC link line on DC towers from M/s ETCO Denim to proposed 110/11kV Kannur sub station for a distance of 26 Kms along with terminal bays at both stations is considered in Vijayapur District.

3) Tender No: KPTCL/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT7180 for Conducting modern line survey for Establishing 2x10 MVA 110/11kV Sub Station at Hullur (Jettagi) in Muddebihal Taluk, Vijayapur District by Stringing 110 kV 2nd circuit for existing 110kV SC line on DC towers from 220kV B.Bagewadi Receiving Station to Chimmalagi LIS (upto AP-29 tower) for a distance of 26.00 Km and further constructing proposed SC line on DC towers from 110kV B. Bagewadi-Chimmalagi line (2nd circuit) for a distance of 5.00 Kms (Total 31.00 Kms).

4) Tender No: KPTCL/2020-21/EL/WORK_INDENT7178 for Conducting modern line survey for construction of 220kV DC line from existing 220kV Kustagi Sub-station to the proposed 220kV Hunagund Sub-station for a distance of about 40 Kms in Hunagund, Kustagi Taluka, Bagalkot, Koppal District.

The tenders will be received through **e-Procurement portal only.** The details regarding participation in the e-tendering process can be obtained by logging on to KPTCL website: **https://kptcl.karnataka.gov.in** on hyperlink **"e-Procurement-KPTCL"** or **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in on or after 05.30 PM on 12.08.2020.** Any other details can be obtained from the office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- **Superintending Engineer (Ele).,**
Transmission (W&M) Circle, KPTCL, Zonal Office Complex,
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NOTICE OF 93RD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the 93rd Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Institute will be held on **Saturday , 5th September, 2020** at **11:00 AM IST** through **Two-Way Video Conferencing/ Other Audio Visual Mode ("OAVM") ONLY** to transact the Business, as set out in the Notice for the 93rd AGM. The AGM will be held through VC/OAVM without physical presence of the members at a common venue in compliance with applicable provision of the Companies Act, 2013 and Rules framed there under read with General Circular Nos 14/2020, 17/2020 and 20/2020 dated 8th April 2020, 13th April 2020 and 5th May, 2020 respectively issued by Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA Circulars). The registered office of the Institute shall be deemed to be the venue for the meeting.

In compliance with the aforesaid circulars, the Annual Report of the Company for 2019-20 along with the Notice of the AGM has been dispatched to all members by e-mail whose e-mail addresses are available and registered with the Institute on Tuesday, 11th August 2020. The requirement for sending physical copy of the 93rd AGM Notice and Annual Report to members has been dispensed with vide MCA Circular/s. Accordingly, the facility for appointment of proxies by the Members will not be available for the AGM. A copy of the Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report is available on the website of the Institute at **www.iibf.org.in/AnnualReports** and websites of NSDL **https://www.evoting.nsdl.com**

Remote E-Voting and E-Voting at the AGM

In compliance with Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014, Members are provided with the facility to cast their votes on all resolutions set forth in the Notice of the AGM using electronic voting system ('remote e-voting'), provided by National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) and the business may be transacted through such voting. The details for the e-voting pursuant to the Act and the Rules are hereunder:

- The Ordinary Business and Special Business as set out in the AGM may be transacted through voting by electronic means. The Notice for AGM along with e-voting instructions is available along with the Annual Report on the website of the Institute at **www.iibf.org.in**. websites of NSDL **https://www.evoting.nsdl.com**
- Institutional members are required to send a scanned copy (PDF/JPG Format) of its Board or governing body Resolution/Authorization etc., authorizing its representative to attend the AGM through VC / OAVM on its behalf and to vote through remote e-voting. The said Resolution/Authorization shall be sent to the Scrutiniser by email through its registered email address to **scrutiniser@csdakamat.com** with a copy marked to **evoting@nsdl.co.in.**
- The remote e-voting period commences on **Tuesday, 1st September, 2020 (9.00 AM IST)** and ends on **Friday, 4th September 2020 (5:00 PM)** (both days inclusive). During this period, Members may cast their vote electronically. The e-voting module shall be disabled by NSDL thereafter and remote e-voting will not be permitted beyond the prescribed time.
- The cut-off date for determining the eligibility status of members for voting through remote e-voting and at the AGM is **Saturday, 29th August 2020.**
- Further, in pursuance to the Articles of Association, only Institutional Members, Associate Members and Fellow Members will be authorized to vote through e-voting at the AGM. Associate and Fellow Members shall be entitled to one vote per person and Institutional Members shall be entitled to one vote for every Rs. 1,000/- in contribution towards their Annual Subscription Fees as on the cut-off date. Any person, who is an Institutional, Associate or Fellow Member of the Institute as on the cut-off date is eligible to caste vote on all the resolutions set forth in the Notice of AGM using remote e-voting or voting at the AGM **(only through E-voting system).** Other members may please treat this Notice for information purpose only.
- The facility for voting through electronic voting system shall also be made available at the AGM and Members who have not already cast their vote by remote e-voting shall be able to exercise their right at the AGM. The Members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the AGM may also attend the AGM but shall not be allowed to cast their vote again at the AGM.
- A person who has become a member of the Institute after the dispatch of notice of AGM and having right to vote as of cut-off date, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in. However, if the person is already registered with NSDL for remote e-voting then the existing user ID and password can be used for casting vote.
- Those members whose email address are not registered with Institute may register their email address with Institute by sending email to **Mr. Thomas George, Jt. Dir., Member Support Services at mem-services@iibf.org.in**
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Date: 12/08/2020

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NO:EE/PWD/Dvn/Bdr/ TS-2/4059/2020-2021/1136 Date: 06.08.2020

INVITATION FOR TENDER

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, PWD. Divn. Bidar invites Tenders from eligible Tenderers, for the works i.e.,Works indent No KPWD/2019-20/BD/WORK_INDENT117087 and 119547 Amount for Rs. 150.00 and 300.00 Lakhs respectively Tender documents may be downloaded from the e.procurement portal of the Govt. of Karnataka Viz. **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION
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The CNNL hereby invites Short Term Tender for **Annual Maintenance of Kanva Lift Irrigation Scheme**. The last date for tender submission is on **24.08.2020 up to 4:00 PM.** Technical Bid opening on **25.08.2020 at 4:30 PM**. Financial Bid opening on **27.08.2020 at 11:00 AM.** For further details please contact the above said office or visit the above website.

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Government of Karnataka
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Executive Engineer, P.R.E Division, Koppal
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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION (Two Cover System)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Panchayat Raj Engineering Division, Koppal, invites item rates tender through e-procurement in Two cover systems , Standard Bid Document KG-4 under head of account 2019-20 KKRDB Grant of procure 1,35,608 sq ft Green ceramic Boards to the 1541 Govt Primary Schools of Koppal District. In this regard tender is invited through E-procuremnt portal. Interested firm may participate in the tender by applying online under E-procurement portal address : **https://eproc.karnataka.govin** Documents download date: **13.08.2020**

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EDITORIAL

"Trade (in Chola times) was carried on by merchants banded together in powerful guilds. The *manigraamam* of Kodumbalur endowing a charitable trust in Salem, the Valanjiyar of Tiruppurambiyam are examples of such associations"

KA Nilakanta Sastri

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— Ramnath Goenka

FLOODS, LANDSLIDES AND THE NEED TO PRIORITISE GOVERNANCE

Since floods are an annual occurrence in many parts of the country, a degree of administrative professionalism may not be a bad thing to wish for. Urban, peri-urban and rural Kerala and Karnataka have been witnessing large-scale, devastating floods for the last three years in particular. Not the kind of deluge that Assam and Bihar witness, where the cause may not entirely lie within the Indian territorial bounds. That too can be addressed: the recurrence of debilitating floods can be averted, as former prime minister Deve Gowda pointed out in an interview to this newspaper, citing a blueprint he had drawn up some three decades ago. Controlling the annual flooding in the two southern states, Kerala and Karnataka, would require lesser planning. Interstate coordination between Karnataka and Maharashtra too can certainly help, just as unbridled, unplanned mushrooming of tourism enterprises can be controlled. Entire districts of these two states, including pristine parts of the Western Ghats, are being mercilessly deforested to put up 'weekend resorts'. Such is the scale of exploitation that, in the 2019 floods, entire plantations and hills were swept away. In Kerala, the urbanised outskirts of a quaint little small town like Thrissur were under water. Natural drainage systems had been harmed.

This time, massive landslides in both states have claimed human lives. Those who face the brunt of man-made disasters are never the authors and perpetrators of unplanned development and greed. Not to speak of riots and other forms of violence, which Bengaluru witnessed recently. Repeated reminders that the need to be humane is rather urgent seem to be going unheeded. More than ever before, governments need to prioritise governance—there was a time when you thought this would have been a self-evident fact. If a democracy brings about regimes that claim to be representatives of the people, the least they could do is check back on what their primary responsibilities are supposed to be.

A LOT MORE TO BE DONE TO HELP AGRI SECTOR

On Sunday, the prime minister announced a ₹1 lakh crore farm infrastructure fund, a move welcomed by many as Indian agriculture has been languishing for long, a victim of low productivity and severe shortage of storage besides being captive to the capricious nature of the monsoons. However, the fund, to be spread over 10 years with small-ticket loans of up to ₹2 crore to agri-entrepreneurs and farmers' societies to build infrastructure, seems to lack the broad sweep of vision needed to make a major difference. In fact, the average ticket size of a loan in the first tranche of ₹1,000 crore to 2,280 beneficiaries that was announced works out to less than ₹50 lakh a loan, a pittance compared to the cost of a basic cold storage with a capacity of a thousand tonnes. India needs at least 50 million tonnes of cold storage facilities, huge nationwide fleets of refrigerated trucks and elimination of unnecessary middlemen if it wants its farmers to benefit from higher incomes and consumers from lower prices. And it needs it fast.

Every year, post-harvest losses of fruits and vegetables alone average about 40%, simply because of lack of proper storage, inability to move food produce quickly and an elongated chain of middlemen who contribute little by way of infrastructure and yet seek rents from the system. In all, Indian farmers are estimated to lose up to nearly ₹1 lakh crore a year in just post-harvest losses. The government's initiative to stem this loss is bundled with good intentions but it seems to lack sufficient thought and planning to back it up. The investments needed are not small-ticket moves but large-canvas ones. Big industry, large cooperatives and the state itself have to step in to create such huge infrastructure. This infrastructure in turn has to be supported by road and railway networks deep into the interiors to support and link farmer communities with markets. Further, large- and small-scale irrigation works including rain water harvesting by building or recharging a million wells as was suggested by the M S Swaminathan committee is needed along with new farm technology to ensure that there is crucial stable production of various types of saleable food produce every year that would make the infrastructure viable.

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ENTERPRISE, EDUCATION AND EUDAEMONIA

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AMIT BANDRE

BUILDING BUSINESSES

I am delighted to begin this monthly column titled "Building Businesses". In this article, I hope to engage with readers on Entrepreneurship, Education and Eudaemonia—Greek for well-being, all of which are highly relevant for the progress of India. Why so?

From the earliest days since Aristotle and Kautilya, philosophers have lauded the crucial role of business in building a happy, prosperous society. Indians have inherited a rich business tradition, which has been excellently documented: for example, Chettiars of Tamil Nadu, Moplahs of Kerala in South, Marwaris of Rajasthan, Kutchis of Saurashtra and Sindhis, who are everywhere. Traditions of business are a part of local folklore all over the country.

Business generates profit; after tax payment, this results in merchant charity through community support—temples, wells, hospitals, schools, fine arts and support to advance entrepreneurship. In this way, enterprise enables education, culture and health. Together, these three are the ingredients of human well-being and a happy society—what the Greeks had called eudaemonia. Stated another way, a good society needs vigorous enterprise, which can generate resources to promote administrative order. In this manner, citizens can enjoy education, health, cultural advancement and a sense of well-being.

Thus, honest business is good for society. While history describes the role of business, we need to consider the contemporary role of business in the future of India. Some citizens are rightly disappointed by the excesses and greed among some businesspeople. However, such mistrust should not be applied to all businesspeople. A diatribe against business is as misplaced as a congenital mistrust of politicians, bureaucrats, activists, journalists and lawyers as a class. Small businesses must flourish, some will grow into larger and competitive companies, and they, in turn, must grow into "business institutions". Such a progression is good for society.

I have been privileged to serve two great business institutions, Unilever and Tata. Any institution must evoke awe for its size and durability, admiration for ethical conduct and contribution to society. I am sure that the people of India not only respect Unilever and Tata for their commercial success, but also love them for their service to society. I have learnt a lot during my career about how these two businesses grew into business institutions. But, of course, they are not the only ones in this genre.

During a discussion with academics of Mumbai's premier B-School, SP Jain Institute of Management and Research (SPJIMR), we all became curious about what distinguishes the 'shaper of an institution' from the 'CEO of a good company'. Through meticulous search of literature by five professors, we put together an academic construct of MBAs—mindset, behaviour, actions—that characterise a shaper. The research idea was validated through initial interviews with established business leaders.

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Collaborative research between a practitioner and academics is rare, particularly as applicable to the Indian social context. We used common sense and intuitive judgments to identify Gen L (for liberalisation) companies that came into prominence around the 1990s. They were solidly institutional in their approach to business and were very good performers, even though not necessarily the best performers. They enjoyed the reputation of practising good governance and were free of controversies. Because of our segmentation, long-established companies, called Gen C (for centurion) like Tata Steel, Indian Hotels, Godrej Soaps and Bajaj were not studied. We selected those where the prime founder/transformer could be interviewed by us.

All the six companies selected were barely known as recently as in the 1980s, but they all dramatically zoomed into the public consciousness as the new century dawned—Tata Consultancy Services (F C Kohli & S Ramadorai), Biocon group (Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw), L&T (A M Naik), HDFC group (Deepak Parekh), Marico (Harsh Mariwala) and Kotak Mahindra Bank (Uday Kotak). These six companies accounted for a third of the total market capitalisation of the Bombay Stock Exchange. Adding the market value of Gen C and Gen L companies, "business institutions" accounted for a large part of the value in the market.

The stock market, set up in 1875, has 5,000 listed companies, but only 2,000 are traded, and a small clutch of "business institutions" account for over half the market capitalisation. India desperately needs more business institutions for its economic progress. India would be much better placed if there were many more valuable, virile and value-based companies.

Needless to add, this will, at best, be a part of the solution for the progress of the Indian economy. In the next few monthly columns, my co-authors and I will write about the lessons from the six companies; our content is derived from our research and the six books that we have written—on TCS, Biocon, L&T, HDFC, Marico and Kotak Bank.

(During his 50-year career, the author had served as Director, Tata Sons and, before that, as Vice Chairman, Hindustan Unilever)

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TAX REFORMS, A NEW BEGINNING

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New Delhi-based economist

The bulk of the discussion around the economy has focussed on the ongoing pandemic and its devastating impact across the global economic system. This has ignored a silent revolution that has been an ongoing process in India over the last couple of years.

Many have argued that the best strategy to recover from the present crisis lies in pushing for reforms—and it is this revolution of reforms that has gone unnoticed in one of the most challenging political economy areas of taxation. Since 2014, there has been a concentrated effort to reform the cobweb of taxes across the Indian economy that acted as a constraint on our growth.

These problems were present, not just in indirect taxes but also with regards to direct taxes. For instance, India had one of the highest corporate tax rates in the world, along with a dividend distribution tax and an additional tax if dividend incomes increased beyond a certain threshold. Taxation policies like these were repulsive to any foreign investor, while tax litigation and retrospective taxation further dissuaded investors.

The process of resolving these issues was initiated in 2014 and even though the pace of reforms in our taxation policies has been slow, we have come a long way over the last six years. The start of the corporate tax cut in 2014 finally reached its logical conclusion in September 2019 when we witnessed a new direct tax regime for corporates. This coincided with changes in the personal income tax rates combined with the Goods and Services Tax, which completely overhauled the indirect taxation system by subsuming eight Central and state taxes. There is a possibility of yet another reform in the form of the Direct Tax Code as the committee has already submitted its report for consideration.

Reforms around taxation are difficult due to the political nature of the subject, as several special interest groups frequently attempt to thwart any reforms in this area. However, despite the political risks, the present administration has recognised the need to have a citizen-friendly taxation system. The approach has been to systematically improve the structure, procedure, forms and other related aspects to make taxpaying a rewarding and hassle-free experience.

For instance, the government has pushed extensively to ensure transparency in the assessment process with the objective of reducing red tape. The move to have a mandatory DIN is precisely to ensure that every communication of the tax department has a mandatory computer-generated unique document identification number. This is an important step for the e-assessment scheme that aims at eliminating the interface between the assessing officer and the assessees with the intention of drastically reducing red tape and tax harassment. Each of these moves are aimed at significantly clamping down on any harassment faced by taxpayers as the government recognises their role in the process of India's development.

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It is precisely this recognition that pushed the government to introduce a documented set of rights of taxpayers in the form of a taxpayer charter. The charter will formally recognise the rights of India's stakeholders that will be enforceable, thereby creating a new relationship built on trust and mutual respect between the taxpayer and the tax department (or the government). This marks a significant shift in the approach of the government towards direct taxes and taxpayers in general.

This shift is consistent with the strong push by the government to improve both the ease of doing business and the ease of living as the tax department is constantly tweaking systems to improve ease of paying taxes. This started with the process of introducing pre-filled tax forms, which significantly lowered the time and costs for several small tax filers while simultaneously reducing errors involved in the process. Recently, the government has further simplified the process of allotment of Permanent Account Number for filing taxes on near to real time basis for those applicants who have a valid Aadhaar number. The process instantly issues an electronic PAN free of cost.

These incremental reforms, whether in the structure of tax rates or in the process, indicate a strong push towards altering the political economy of taxation in India as they put the need to reward taxpayers at the centre of these changes. It is this change in mindset that is far more significant as it paves the way for further tweaks to systematically overhaul the government's approach towards resource mobilisation.

That this approach has yielded results is well reflected in investors reposing their faith in the Indian economy. We have achieved record high levels of investments between 2014-19. Even during the pandemic, where companies are struggling to fund their operations, several of them have made fresh commitments to invest into India over the next few years. To be able to attract the kind of investments India has during the pandemic signals the extent of medium-term economic potential that is being recognised by investors across the world.

These bright prospects are a direct outcome of strong macroeconomic fundamentals combined with extensive reforms across various areas—with taxation being one of the most critical amongst them.

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SC clears the air

The apex court judgment clearing the air on daughters having equal rights to Hindu undivided family property would be welcomed by all daughters who now stand on par with sons over inheritance. The reiteration of this right should remove all anomalies and ensure a fair deal to the womenfolk who were hitherto deprived of such rights.

C V Aravind, Bengaluru

Hindu women & equal rights

Women in a Hindu family having equal rights to inheritance is wonderful news. The SC's verdict will have a big impact in eliminating the disparity and discrimination existing between male and female offsprings in a Hindu family. The judges who announced such a landmark verdict deserve praise.

Ravi Mannethu, Pullad

Respect all languages

This is with reference to *Why we should respect diversity* (Aug 12). India is a unique country where 22 languages are recognised in the Constitution as national languages. It is our duty to respect all languages spoken in the country. Though Hindi is one of the official languages of the Union government, all regional languages should be shown due importance.

Ram Saran Singh, Bengaluru

Unity in diversity

The Hindi-speaking population in India is only 43.63%. So discrimination based on one's knowledge of Hindi is unbecoming. Accepting the diversity in our country and living harmoniously should be our motto, especially as 56.37% people speak about 120 different languages.

Manseet Swaroop, Bhubaneswar

Existing problems in edu

This is with reference to *Does the NEP miss out on real issues?* (Aug 12). While the NEP has been hailed by many, this article has pointed out how we must be cautious in our euphoria right now. The author highlighted the existing problems in the education system that need to be remedied. These views should be factored in while implementing the NEP.

K Jayanthi, Chennai

Implementing NEP

The author has rightly said that the NEP looks promising from a bird's-eye view, but on the ground level, it is presently not practical. Stage-by-stage implementation would be more feasible. The Centre should have patience when implementing huge plans like this.

E Ravi Varma Raja, Ennakad

Transformational leaders

This is with reference to *The need for transformational leadership* (Aug 12). The author has deftly touched upon a very important subject that is highly beneficial for young and aspiring technocrats and managers. As mentioned, 'Level 5 leaders' are needed as they are visionary and transformational managers.

C Ghanshyam, Visakhapatnam

Going online to shop

This is with reference to *E-commerce booms as more shoppers go online* (Aug 12). It is indisputable that Covid-19 has become a game-changer in our lives. More people are preferring online shopping. Amazon has cashed in on this opportunity. Adapt to changes or perish is becoming the norm.

R Sridharan, Chennai

Masks in cars?

Cricketer Ravindra Jadeja and his wife being stopped by the police for not wearing masks while travelling in their car is unnecessary. Most medical experts agree that wearing masks while driving one's personal car with family is not needed. Instead, an improperly-worn mask may obstruct vision and might cause accidents. Health authorities must update the police about this.

B Sadananda Naik, Moodabidri

Former President's health

It is sad that former president Pranab Mukherjee tested positive for Covid-19 and his health has worsened. Political leaders and the elites of society seem to get more affected by Covid, possibly due to their vast number of contacts.

N Visveswaran, Chennai

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Shashi Tharoor @ShashiTharoor
Those who incited and perpetrated the #bangaloreriots must be found, arrested & given exemplary punishment.

Asaduddin Owaisi @asadowaisi
The violence in #Bengaluru & the objectionable/ offensive social media posts are highly condemnable.

Tejasvi Surya @Tejasvi_Surya
I request Sri @BSYBJP to confiscate and attach properties of the rioters and compensate losses to public property in same way as Sri @myogiadityanath govt did in UP.

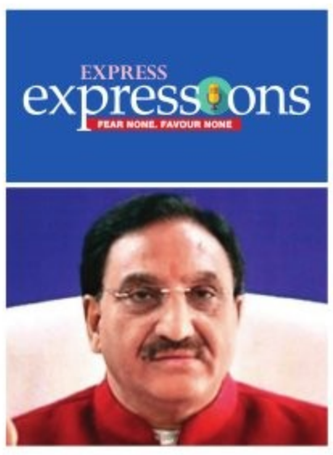
'NEP will be a game-changer; will help retain India its talent'

THE new National Education Policy (NEP) will be a game-changer and would help retain India its talent, said Union Minister of Education ***Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'*** *in a conversation with* ***Prabhu Chawla, Editorial Director, The New Indian Express*** *on TNIE's Expressions, a series of live webcasts with people who matter.*

Why did it take 34 years to formulate this policy? What are the highlights in this for school education, middle education and higher education?
This is first such policy since Independence which is India centric. This is perhaps the world's first such policy where there was such a wide range of consultations. Students, stakeholders from states, academics were consulted. Committees were set up where the viewpoints were analysed.

In India, there is no common education programme...
This country is united in diversity. Through the focus on mother tongue, children will learn more promptly. The UNESCO, Gandhiji, scientists and experts have also expressed similar views on children learning in their mother tongue. This step will help towards comprehensive development of children... It is only now that work is progressing in recent years. We have said till 6 per cent of the GDP should be spent on education. The Centre and states together would try to achieve this target.

Why are you not postponing or cancelling competitive exams such as NEET/JEE in light of Covid-19?



Universities can take their decisions on how to conduct the exams, depending on the circumstances. Regarding the final-year exam, we do not want students to face any long-term challenge because of COVID-19. Because the pandemic will pass, but students would be inconvenienced in the long run. As far as NEET/JEE is concerned, they have been postponed considering current circumstances. These exams are intrinsically linked with their future. We have brought out an app which doubles as a coaching centre. Lakhs of students are using this application. We are concerned about both the safety and education of students. First is their safety and second is their education. Both are essential for their lives. We do not want to waste their time. We are constantly in talks with the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Health before a decision is taken on it.

What are the vocational options offered from Class VII?
There will be a team of experts...When a child leaves school, a child would not need to go from place to another.

Do you think people would stop going abroad and people from abroad will come here if we achieve international standards?
Yes... We will do all of this. People do go abroad. Both money and talent are outward bound at this point. Now this will not happen. They will study here. Our faculty will go abroad.

How will you resolve the issue of three-language formula and implement it? There is a shortage of teachers...
States will teach in their respective languages, too, for those languages to flourish. There is no question of imposing any language. Students would be free to learn as many languages as they want. It is one country. Students can learn one more language. They have freedom.

When will undergraduation be made a four-year course?
It can be three or four years. It is a system where students would be autonomous in choosing what they want...they can decide their destinies.

Why has the MPhil been scrapped?
It is an opportunity or students to decide early on who wants to do a PhD and who does not. They would be prepared well in advance.

Why has there been no relook on the area of medical education which needs urgent reform? The Covid-19 situation showed the underlying shortages — the need for more doctors, and nurses?
There is a deep focus on health. Medical colleges have opened up. There have been revolutionary changes in that area. The health ministry is working at an accelerated pace on this issue.

How will you prevent commercialisation of higher education by foreign players?
We want to stop students from going abroad... Students from abroad will come here to study. But we will not let commercialisation of education. We will also have conditions if abroad universities come to India.

AAIB is expected to submit report on Kozhikode accident by the end of this week | PTI

Experts doubt transparency in A-I mishap probe

Suggest there could be a conflict of interest as AAIB operates under the aviation ministry

KUMAR VIKRAM @ New Delhi

WHILE the Civil Aviation Ministry has ordered an investigation by the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB) in the Air India Express plane mishap in Kozhikode, many aviation safety experts have raised questions on the move, suggesting that there could be a conflict of interest and non-transparency in the probe as it operates under the supervision of the ministry.

The AAIB is expected to submit its report on the Kozhikode accident by the end of this week.

According to the experts, in the past, there was a deliberate effort on the part of the investigators to cover up serious violations of air regulations. They have also demanded a Court of Inquiry (CoI) into the incident. Aviation safety expert Captain Amit Singh said: "The fact that the AAIB reports to the MoCA is a conflict of interest."

Pointing out flaws in a report by the AAIB, Singh said: "The same AAIB had carried out an investigation into the Ghatkopar accident. The probable cause of the accident was attributed to the flight crew. However, after a study of the report, I found several flaws in it that made me investigate the cause of the crash in greater detail... I have produced a 35-page technical analysis of the accident which conclusively proves that the probe was flawed and there was a deliberate effort on the part of the investigators to coverup serious violations of air regulations. The report contradicts itself in many areas and key evidence is misrepresented," he said in his blog.

"The independent nature and credibility of the AAIB are under doubt. There are several other investigation reports which lack quality and standards," he said, adding that he has written to the secretary of the MoCA, requesting him to order a re-investigation of the accident.

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> Captain Amit Singh, aviation expert

"There is a need to establish a safety culture and determine the root cause, not just fix the symptom," Singh added.

Aviation safety expert Mohan Ranganathan, who was part of the safety committee formed after the 2010 Mangalore crash, said: "Anything in civil aviation in India is not an independent body. If it is an independent body, which is not controlled by the aviation ministry, then you can say that it is something which can come out with facts. As long as you have the ministry controlling everything, you will never find the facts coming out," he said.

Russia says vaccine trials to be conducted in India, officials deny

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

RUSSIA has claimed that phase 3 clinical trials of the Covid-19 vaccine, which it launched on Tuesday, will also be conducted in India, among other countries, but officials in the Union Health Ministry dismissed it saying there was no talk on any such collaboration yet.

The controversial vaccine — Sputnik V — has been approved by Russia even amid major concerns on its safety and efficacy as it has not completed human trials yet and has been tested on less than 100 individuals.

The first clinical trials of the vaccine had begun only on June 17. On Tuesday, Russian President Vladimir Putin announced the approval of the vaccine for use, claiming it as a "world first," amid continued concern and unanswered questions over its safety and effectiveness. The Russian government has announced that its mass production will start next month and it will be available for public use by October.

The vaccine has been developed by Gamaleya Research Institute and the Russian defence ministry, and has been created using inanimate particles developed based on adenovirus, a class of virus that causes the common cold.

The Russian Direct Investment Fund, a government body, which is financing the production of Sputnik V, on its official website declared that it sees "strong global interest in the vaccine and plans to conduct phase 3 clinical trials in different countries, including Saudi Arabia, UAE, Brazil, India and the Philippines, and start mass production in other countries in partnership with local sovereign wealth funds, including India, South Korea and Brazil, as well as, in Saudi Arabia, Turkey and Cuba."

An employee works on a Covid-19 vaccine in Moscow, Russia, on Tuesday | AP

"At least 20 countries had expressed interest in obtaining the Sputnik V, including UAE, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Philippines, Brazil, Mexico and India," the RDIF also said in a statement. Official sources said the launching of phase 3 trials for any vaccine requires appropriate regulatory approvals by the Drug Controller General of India.

"And as far as our information is concerned, there is no movement on that front yet," said a senior official. "Besides, there is also no data from phase 1 and 2 trial of the Russian vaccine yet," the official added.

Another official in the ministry indicated that it's also possible that some states would have approached Russia with queries on the vaccine.

A senior official in the Indian Council of Medical Research denied any information on the matter, while Dr V K Paul, a member (health) Niti Aayog who has been made chief of an expert group on Covid-19 vaccine administration, could not be reached for his comments despite repeated attempts.

Sources, meanwhile, said Russia has also approached Bharat Biotech, a Hyderabad-based vaccine manufacturer, to produce its vaccine in large quantities, but the firm is yet to respond.

States fined for failing to stop sewage flow into Ganga

RICHA SHARMA @ New Delhi

IN a first, the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has demanded ₹19.7 crore as environmental compensation from four states for failing to stop untreated drains from flowing into the Ganga. The highest fine has been imposed on Uttar Pradesh followed by Bihar as a total of 128 drains deposit untreated waste in the river in both the states.

The move comes following a National Green Tribunal (NGT) order in December 2019 directing the national pollution watchdog to calculate environmental compensation (EC) and raise demands with chief secretaries of Ganga states in case sewage treatment plant projects are not completed in drains or interim measures have not been adopted after November 1, 2019. Among the five Ganga states —Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand and West Bengal — a total of 131 drains flow into the river dumping untreated waste.

Despite the NGT order, none of the states have yet deposited the EC amount with CPCB while reminders have been sent to all in June this year.

The UP has to deposit ₹18 crore and Bihar 1.2 crore as EC. The EC was calculated ₹5 lakh/month/drain for three months starting November, 2019 for UP, Uttarakhand and Bihar while for four months for West Bengal. Jharkhand has no drains with untreated sewage falling directly into the river. The NGT in another order dated August 22, 2019 had said that timely completion of all projects relating to sewage treatment be ensured June 31, 2020 in respect of ongoing projects and by December 31, 2020 in respect of others failing which compensation has to be paid in terms of the said order, apart from action against the erring officers.

"Till then, to avoid untreated sewage being discharged directly into Ganga, interim remedial measures have to be adopted and for the default after November 1, 2019 compensation has to be deposited. The CPCB may make necessary calculations and raise demands with the chief secretaries," said the green tribunal.

EXPRESS READ

PM SVANidhi plan sees 5 L loan applications

New Delhi: The number of loan sanctions and applications received under the PM Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) Scheme have crossed the 1 lakh-mark and 5 lakhs, respectively within 41 days of commencement of the lending process on July 2. The Ministry of Urban Affairs on Wednesday said the scheme has generated considerable enthusiasm among street vendors, who have been looking for access to affordable working capital credit for re-starting their businesses post Covid-19 lockdown.

Maharashtra: Outrage over a dozen Covid-19 victims bundled out in van

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

A dozen bodies of Covid-19 patients were reportedly bundled out to a crematorium in an ambulance in Maharashtra's Ahmednagar, violating all rules, prompting outrage and forcing the local civic body to order an inquiry.

Ahmednagar district has witnessed 109 deaths and over 10,400 positive cases so far.

Mayor of Ahmednagar Municipal Corporation Babasaheb Wakade said the municipal commissioner has already ordered an inquiry in the incident reported on Sunday. "We will not spare anyone. This is a very shameful incident. Strict action will be taken against those responsible for this unfortunate act," he said. Wakade said the Ahmednagar civil hospital was hardly 2.5 km from the crematorium. "Even if corporation staffers required shuffling ten times, it wouldn't have made any difference. They could do it easily. People dying of the pandemic should be respected and it is the duty of the corporation to arrange transport," said the mayor.

It was Shiv Sena corporator Babasaheb Barote who brought the incident to light. Barote said while he was on a visit to the civil hospital, he saw 12 bodies of Covid-19 patients being bundled out in one ambulance and taken to the crematorium. He wrote to the municipal commissioner and attached the photograph of the incident, demanding action in the matter. Barote in his letter said, "The condition of the hospital was so deplorable that the bodies of 12 patients who had died were literally dumped in a single ambulance."

SEEKING PROBE

Ex-bureaucrats move SC over govt's handling of pandemic

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi

SIX former bureaucrats have approached the Supreme Court seeking a direction to the Centre to appoint a commission of inquiry into the alleged mismanagement of the Covid-19 pandemic in the country.

A bench headed by Justice L Nageswara Rao is scheduled to hear the plea on Friday that sought the panel to be headed by a retired apex court judge.

The petition has alleged that the Centre has failed to undertake timely and effective measures for containing transmission of the virus and an independent inquiry by a commission, appointed under the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1952, was essential to inquire into the lapses.

The petition, filed through advocate Prashant Bhushan, has claimed that the Centre's response to the pandemic and its deleterious impact on the lives and livelihoods of the citizens is a definite matter of public importance and warrants appointment of a commission under Section 3 of the Act.

The plea has claimed that the nationwide lockdown, which was imposed from March 25, and the manner in which it was implemented has had a devastating impact on jobs, livelihood and the overall economy.

"In spite of being the harshest and most restrictive lockdown in the world, it has failed to arrest the spread of the disease," the plea claimed and also referred to the exodus of migrant workers and daily wagers during the lockdown from cities to their respective home towns.

'MISLEADING'

IAF objects to its 'negative portrayal' in movie on Gunjan Saxena

MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE Indian Air Force has written to the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) objecting to its negative portrayal in the movie Gunjan Saxena: The Kargil Girl, released on Netflix on Wednesday.

The force has also objected to the inappropriate portrayal of its work culture in the movie and has shot off letters to Dharma Production and Netflix, too. "Certain scenes and dialogues in the movie and its trailer, which was forwarded to this office for viewing, have been found to portray the IAF in an undue negative light," the IAF said in its letter.

It said that in the aim to glorify the screen character of former Flight-Lieutenant Gunjan Saxena, Dharma Productions, the movie's producers, presented some situations that are misleading and portray an inappropriate work culture, especially against women, in the IAF. The IAF clarified that it has always ensured that the organisation is gender-neutral and has always provided equal opportunity to both men and women personnel.

The IAF had informed the production house about the objectionable portions of the

movie and had advised to delete/modify the same.

Pointing to a breach of understanding, the IAF said, "As per initial understanding, Dharma Productions had agreed to represent Indian Air Force with authenticity and make all efforts to ensure that the film helps to inspire the next generation of IAF officers." However, the production house has not deleted the scenes, it said. The IAF headquarters made it clear that "mere media plan and disclaimer would not be adequate to prevent the presentation of incorrect facts about the IAF".

To prevent a 'distorted' depiction of armed forces personnel and military uniform, the Defence Ministry had last month written to the CBFC and the I&B Ministry to advise production houses to obtain 'No Objection' Certificate from it before the release or telecast of any film/documentary/web series on the armed forces.

SUSHANT CASE

Sushant Singh Rajput's cousin and BJP MLA Neeraj Kumar Singh Bablu served a legal notice to Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Raut with an ultimatum of 48 hours to tender apology for his remark on the late actor and his family

100 PATIENTS GOT PLASMA THERAPY IN KASHMIR

Ahmedabad	33	25	Mumbai	30	25
Bhopal	27	24	Panaji	29	24
Jaipur	32	25	Patna	33	26
Amritsar	34	26	Lucknow	33	24
Chennai	32	25	Port Blair	30	24
Kolkata	33	27	Imphal	29	23
Srinagar	33	20	Chandigarh	33	26

'I DON'T HAVE THE POWER TO GET ARTICLE 370 BACK'

IAS officer-turned-politician **Shah Faesal**, who decided to quit active politics a few days ago, tells *TNIE's* **Fayaz Wani** that the Centre's August 5, 2019 decision has changed facts on the ground and that there is no grey space for electoral politics that existed earlier in Jammu and Kashmir. Excerpts:

What prompted you to quit politics 17 months after launching your own party and giving hope to people, especially youth?
August 5 decisions have changed facts on the ground. It's taking time for people to come to terms with it. We might deny it but the fact is that the present Constitution of India has no space for the grey zone electoral politics that used to happen in J&K. I'm quitting so that I can articulate honestly. In politics, we are compelled to be politically correct. I don't want to raise false expectations

When did you first think of quitting politics?
It was while in detention that I realised that if people want me to do politics of special status, I must be forthright in telling them that I don't have the power to get these Articles (370 and 35A) back given the current national consensus.

Do you think your quitting politics would be a betrayal of the youth?
Not at all. I am being very honest with them. Some people had developed wrong expectations thinking that I am going to start an agitation. Many of them are disappointed and I feel sad for them.

You have said that a perception was created that you are anti-national. Was this because of your stand on Article 370 revocation?
More so due to my resignation. As I said, an innocuous act of dissent was seen as a seditious act.

Does it mean that anybody who talks in favour of Article 370 revocation is anti-national?
There is a general consensus in India at this time that its abrogation led to national integration. In a democracy, the consensus has to be respected.

You have said you don't want to sell false dreams. Does it mean that mainstream politicians are selling false dreams?
No, I don't mean that. Politicians in Kashmir are gradually coming to terms with the new realities. They are doing a great job by promoting the democratic process. All I'm saying is that I can't do politics over the special status when I know I have no power to get it back.

What are your future plans? There is speculation that you will be joining back administration. Word is that you may become a member of Advisory Council of Lt Governor
I have no idea how these rumours are spread. I am taking life with an open mind and am ready to spread some positivity if and when I get a chance.

Is there any possibility of again returning to politics in future?
I don't think so. I have learnt a lot during the past one year. I don't want to be known as a resignation man who hops from place to place. I want to settle down and focus on my work.

How tough is it to do politics in Kashmir after Article 370 revocation?
Mainstream electoral politics isn't going to end. We are a parliamentary democracy and sooner or later the democratic process will get revived.
It's a matter of time. These difficulties remain in a conflict zone but I'm sure things will ease with time.

Forget and forgive, Gehlot tells loyalists

RAJESH ASNANI @Jaipur

Congress MLAs arrive at Jaipur airport from Jaisalmer before boarding a bus to reach a hotel on Wednesday | PTI

SACHIN Pilot's difficulties don't seem to be ending days after his '*ghar vapsi*' (homecoming) in Rajasthan Congress. Pro-Gehlot Congress MLAs opposed the return of the Pilot camp rebels at a meeting in Jaisalmer on Tuesday night.

Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot wasn't too kind, saying the loyal MLAs were "naturally upset" at the truce and the tough time the party had to face because of the rebels. However, the CM's advice to his loyalists was: Forget and forgive, and move on.

The uneasy calm in the Gehlot camp is accentuated by the lack of clarity over the exact formula for truce worked out between Pilot and Priyanka Gandhi. Sources say it might be revealed after the expected Cabinet reshuffle.

Not only did Pilot lose his twin posts of deputy CM and party chief, his loyal ministers, Vishwendra Singh and Ramesh Meena, too, were dropped from the Gehlot cabinet. Besides, some of the other Pilot loyalists lost their positions in the state party organisation.

While boarding a flight for Jodhpur from Jaisalmer on Wednesday, Gehlot said, "It's natural for (loyalist) MLAs to be upset given the manner this episode happened and the way they were forced to stay in hotels for a month...I have told them that we need to be tolerant if we want to serve the nation, state and the people to save democracy."

Sources said the legislative party meeting in Jaisalmer on Tuesday night was pretty noisy with central leaders Avinash Pandey, Ajay Maken and Randeep Surjewala stepping in to pacifying the MLAs.

The pro-Gehlot MLAs expressed displeasure at the leadership's generosity towards Pilot and his men. Some MLAs expressed reservations at the truce worked out between Pilot and Priyanka.

The loyalists returned to Jaipur on Wednesday afternoon. They will continue to stay at the Fairmont hotel in the state capital where they had stayed for over a fortnight before shifting to Jaisalmer. They may continue to remain corralled till the Assembly session begins on August 14.

However, the pro-Pilot camp has reportedly not been asked to come to the Fairmont. An MLA of the Pilot group, G L Khatana, said, "The party leadership has assured us that there will be no discrimination against us. If there is any CLP meeting, and the party issues a whip, we will surely attend the meeting."

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> Ashok Gehlot, Rajasthan Chief Minister

Wait and watch: BJP leader to assess situation in Rajasthan

NEW DELHI: The BJP will be deputing a senior leader to take stock of the political situation in Rajasthan.

While the BJP maintained arm's length from Congress rebel leader Sachin Pilot, it is looking to take stock of the possible political scenarios in the state in near future.

The party feels that the tug of war between Pilot and CM Ashok Gehlot will continue in the near future, and the political situation remain fluid. Former Rajasthan chief minister Vasundhara Raje had recently shared her assessment of the political situation with BJP chief J P Nadda.

"One senior leader who had overseen the BJP's election preparations in the state during the Lok Sabha elections will soon visit Rajasthan. The party has to corner the Gehlot government in the Assembly and outside, while also focusing on organisational works," said a senior BJP functionary.

Unlike Madhya Pradesh, the number in the Rajasthan Assembly didn't favour the BJP to play an active role in the rebellion of Pilot, he said.

In MP, Jyotiraditya Scindia was successful in scripting defection of a substantial number of legislators who had won in his family bastion Gwalior region, while the narrow difference in the strength between the Congress and BJP favoured a change of government. *ENS*

Bengal BJP chief booked for addressing rally, party defiant

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kolkata

THE West Bengal Police on Tuesday lodged an FIR against BJP state president Dilip Ghosh and 25 other party leaders under the Disaster Management Act for allegedly violating norms in the wake of Covid pandemic.

Ghosh and senior BJP leaders had addressed a public meeting held in memory of party MLA Debendra Nath Roy at Raiganj on Monday. Roy was found hanging in front of a tea shop in July.

> **Since several Covid positive cases were reported from the area where the rally was organised, we considered the event as a gross violation of the government norms**
> Bengal police

The state government has imposed a ban on political programmes and rallies across Bengal. Reacting to the FIR lodged against Ghosh and others, the BJP accused the ruling Trinamool Congress of deploying government machineries to restrain political activities of the opposition.

Though the preliminary investigations indicated that Roy committed suicide, the BJP is demanding a CBI probe. Ghosh, Basu, Balurghat MP Sukanta Majumdar and BJP leaders had met the family of Roy and attended the public rally.

"Hundreds of BJP supporters turned up at the rally which was organised illegally. Since several Covid positive cases were reported from the area where the rally was organised, we considered the event as a gross violation of the norms laid down by the state government,'' said a police officer.

But BJP district president Biswajit Lahiri, who is named as accused in the FIR, said the people of the area were not satisfied with the outcome of preliminary investigation.

EXPRESS READ

Chhattisgarh: Covid testing must for MLAs

Raipur: Staff at the Chhattisgarh Assembly has started preparation for the Monsoon session in line with the prescribed guidelines amid the pandemic. The four-day session will start from August 25. "Every MLA will have to undergo Covid testing as a precautionary measure. Anyone testing positive will not be allowed to attend the session. Glasses are being installed as partition between the seats of the legislators," a senior official said.

Encounter: Four Naxals shot dead, arms seized

Raipur: Four Naxals were killed in an encounter with security forces in Chhattisgarh's insurgency-hit Sukma district on Wednesday morning, police said. The gunbattle took place in a forest under Jagargunda police station limits around 9.30 am when joint teams of various security forces were out on an anti-Naxal operation. The bodies of slain cadres were recovered along with a .303 rifle, huge cache of country-made weapons and explosive material.

> **In the present pandemic situation, these phones have assumed a bigger importance as they are a necessity for education**
> Amarinder Singh, Punjab Chief Minister

Punjab CM Amarinder Singh hands over smartphones to students | PTI

Eyes on poll, Amarinder govt gives smartphones to Class XII students

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

A labourer's daughter Gagandeep from Hoshiarpur told Punjab CM Amarinder Singh on videoconference that though she scored 85% in Class XI, she lost out badly in studies over the past few months in the absence of a smartphone.

With this phone, she said, she would now be able to fully focus on her studies.

Though assembly elections in the state are 18 months away, the Congress government in Punjab has started delivering on its promise to distribute smartphones to students for free as part of its ₹92 crore 'Punjab Smart Connect Scheme.'

These phones come preloaded with government apps such as e-Sewa App with e-content related to Class 11 and Class 12, as approved by the Department of School Education. They also have an engraving of CM Amarinder and 'Captain Smart Connect'.

Amarinder personally handed over these phones to six Class XII students on Wednesday.

Simultaneous distribution of phones was done at 26 places by various ministers, MLAs and others across the state.

Over 1.74 lakh Class XII students of government schools will be given the phones in the first phase which will be completed by November. Of these, 87,395 are boys and 86, 620 girls, most being in the OBC and SC and ST categories.

Amarinder chose Janmashtami to launch the scheme through videoconferencing at the Secretariat. He said people believe in the promises listed in the election manifesto and it was, thus, his duty to ensure the implementation of each one of them.

BIHAR

LJP & JD-U spar over Nitish aide's remark

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @Patna

NATIONAL Democratic Alliance (NDA) allies LJP and JD-U were caught in a spat after a senior political aide of Bihar CM Nitish Kumar dubbed LJP chief Chirag Paswan as *'Kalidas'*.

Things flared up when the LJP tweeted that it always maintained that there was a need to increase Corona testing in Bihar. "Now, there is a hope after the Prime Minister's suggestion. The Bihar government will ramp up the testing of Corona to safeguard the state," it tweeted.

Soon, Nitish aide Rajiv Ranjan alias Lallan Singh made a blistering attack on Paswan accusing him of acting like an opposition within the NDA. "Chirag Paswan seems to have become *Kalidas*. He cuts the branch of a tree on which he sits and acts like an opposition."

Chirag Paswan has always been vocal in pointing out the failures of the Nitish Kumar-led state government in the recent past.

LJP spokesperson Sanjay Kumar Singh accused the CM's aide of going against what Prime Minister Modi suggested for ramping up Corona testing. Singh is a confused leader, he said. "Had he not been confused, he would not have made such statement about Chirag Paswan, who has suggested to ramp up the testing of Corona."

YEOMAN'S SERVICE

Beyond religion: A Muslim who cremates bodies of Hindu corona victims

MUKESH RANJAN @Ranchi

A few days back, pathologist Mohammed Khalid (55) received an unusual call from the Marwari Sahayak Samiti: arrange a person for cremating the bodies of Hindu Covid victims in the Jharkhand capital.

The Samiti members had been at their wits' end after the person who was cremating such bodies had simply disappeared, Khalid was told.

A few hours later, Khalid called back offering himself for the service, much against his family's wishes. "Whatever life a person might have lived, he must get a dignified exit from this world," said Khalid, who has in the last 14 years arranged the last rites of 10,000 unclaimed bodies.

Khalid has already cremated 11 bodies and helped in the burial of another body — all Covid victims in Hazaribagh — after their family members refused to even touch them. "My family was very concerned about my decision, but I convinced them that all safety measures would be taken while cremating the Covid-infected bodies. I also convinced them that someone will have to do this job, then why not me," said Khalid. "There is no point in sitting back at home when the existence of the entire human race is at stake."

Khalid says he discovered his avocation by chance while he was working as a cleaning supervisor at Sadar Hospital in Hazaribagh some 14 years back. A woman suffering from leprosy, dumped at the hospital by her family, died and there was nobody to perform her last rites. "I cremated the body and it changed my life. Since then I have performed last rites of not less than 10,000 bodies."

Health Minister recovers, resumes work

Health Minister Jai Pratap Singh has resumed work after recovering from Covid-19. He even shared the stage with Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath at en event on Monday. Singh was under home isolation after testing positive on July 24. He was declared negative for the deadly virus last Thursday and remained in quarantine for five more days. Singh had also quarantined himself in early March after he had attended a party where Bollywood singer Kanika Kapoor, who had tested Covid positive, was also present.

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LUCKNOW DIARY

No large gatherings, tableau on festivals

The Uttar Pradesh government has issued guidelines related to the celebration of religious festivals likes Janmashtami, Ganesh Chaturti and Muharram given the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. There will be no large gatherings, tableau and processions on occasions. Section 144, prohibiting assembly of four or more people in one place, is to be strictly enforced across the state. No tableau or processions were allowed during Janmashtami. Similarly, no 'pandals' will be set up for public celebrations of Ganesh Chaturthi. On Muharram, neither processions will be allowed nor tazias will be taken out this time. Religious leaders of all communities have been roped in to maintain peace with police keeping a vigilant eye anyone trying to spread rumours on social media to create mischief.

Solar rooftops made mandatory

Those planning a house or a commercial unit on a 500 sqm land are now required to add solar panels to the construction. The Lucknow Development Authority has made solar rooftops mandatory for issuing a completion certificate to any construction work falling under the above parameters. The decision is to focus on maximising the use of renewable energy. Lucknow will be the first district to implement the policy and it will be brought in other districts as well. The housing units will include apartments and row houses, while commercial units will include hospitals, nursing homes, guest houses, and hostels.

Booster to intra-state air service

To give a boost to intra-state air connectivity, UP government has released its 20% share of Viability Gap Funding to meet expenses to be incurred in the operation of flight on various routes under the Centre's ambitious Regional Connectivity Scheme for 2020-21. The VGF is the financial support given by the Centre and the state government to meet the gap, if any, between the cost of airline operations and expected revenues. In the case of UP, the Centre and the state government have come together to operate flights on three routes, including Delhi-Agra-Jaisalmer, Jaipur-Agra, and Raipur-Prayagraj.

0.6%
jump in US consumer prices in July as gasoline prices continued to rise, the country's Labour Department reported Wednesday

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	33	23	SNY	Los Angeles	30	21	SNY
Colombo	31	24	TDS	Melbourne	17	10	LR
Doha	42	31	SNY	Moscow	16	9	LC
Dubai	40	31	SNY	New York	28	22	HR
Houston	36	24	SNY	Singapore	32	26	TDS
Istanbul	30	20	SNY	Toronto	29	19	SNY
London	29	19	HR	Washington DC	26	22	HR

UK crashes into largest recession on record

Economists blame 'late' introduction of lockdown in comparison to other nations in Europe

FIRST TIME IN 11 YEARS

1/5th
Britain's economy shrank by one fifth in the second quarter

The British economy already shrank by 2.2% in the first three months of this year

FIRST SINCE 2009
It is Britain's first recession since 2009

8.7%
GDP grew by 8.7% in June as the economy slowly emerged from the lockdown implemented in late March, ONS calculated

JOB LOSS
7,30,000 workers have been removed from the British payrolls since March

BoE *expects unemployment rate to hit around **7.5%** by the end of the year from **3.9%** currently

GRIM PICTURE
BoE forecasts that the economy will have contracted by 9.5% for 2020

*Bank of England

Hundreds of thousands of people have already lost their jobs, and sadly in the coming months many more will

Rishi Sunak, UK's Finance Minister

LONDON

BRITAIN has suffered the deepest recession among the world's top economies this year, shrinking by a fifth in the second quarter alone when much of the economy was mothballed as part of efforts to contain the coronavirus pandemic.

The 20.4 per cent quarterly drop is the worst since records began in 1955, the Office for National Statistics said, and means Britain is in recession.

While many of the lockdown restrictions have since been eased, the country faces a tough time in coming months, with unemployment likely to spike as the government phases out a support programme that has effectively kept nearly 10 million workers on company payrolls.

UK's recession is deeper than those recorded by comparable

A sign of a store alerting customers that the shop has closed in London | AFP

economies in Europe, notably Germany, France and Italy, or by the US. Canada and Japan, the remaining members of the Group of Seven leading industrial nations, have yet to publish their second-quarter numbers but no economist thinks they will be as bad as the UK's.

Kallum Pickering, senior economist at Berenberg Bank, said the main reason why the UK economy has fared worse is that the lockdown was introduced at "a later stage" in the virus outbreak, particularly when compared with others in Europe.

By the time Prime Minister Boris Johnson introduced the lockdown on March 23, the UK had "a bigger first wave" than could have otherwise been the case, meaning restrictions had to go on for longer. Shops in Germany, for example, reopened on May 6 compared with June 15 in England. The UK has the highest official coronavirus death toll in Europe with 46,611 deaths. The actual toll is believed to be higher as the official dataset only incorporates those who have tested positive for Covid-19.

There is some hope that the economy is healing as lockdown restrictions are eased.

"I've said before that hard times were ahead, and today's figures confirm that hard times are here," said Treasury chief Rishi Sunak. *AP*

EXPRESS READ

NY man gets 15 years in prison for supporting LeT

NEW YORK: A New York man, who had planned to join Pakistan-based terrorist organisation Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and carry out acts of terrorism, has been sentenced to 15 years in prison and a lifetime term of supervised release for attempting to provide material support to the terror outfit. Jesus Wilfredo Encarnacion, 30, who also went by the alias 'Jihadistsoldgier', 'Jihadinhear', 'Jihadinheart', 'Lionofthegood', was sentenced to 15 years in prison for attempting to provide material support to LeT, responsible the Mumbai terror attacks in 2008, the Department of Justice said.

From rivals to celebs, wishes pour in for Harris

WASHINGTON

PRESIDENTIAL hopeful Joe Biden named Senator Kamala Harris, a former rival in the White House race, as his running mate on Tuesday, marking a historic first for American women of colour.

Biden's announcement capped a months-long search for a Democratic partner to challenge President Donald Trump in November. Former president Barack Obama said Biden had "nailed this decision". "Now Joe has an ideal partner to help him tackle the very real challenges America faces right now and in the years ahead," Obama said, calling Harris "more than prepared for the job." Vermont senator Bernie Sanders also congratulated his former opponent.

Former Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton tweeted she was "thrilled to welcome @KamalaHarris to a historic Democratic ticket."

US President Donald Trump poured scorn on Biden's announcement, saying he was "surprised" at his choice given what Trump called Harris's lacklustre performance in the Democratic nomination race.

However, Republican and staunch Trump supporter Sarah Palin — herself a former vice presidential nominee — congratulated Harris on Instagram.

'Half of Beirut's health facilities non-functional'

CAIRO/BEIRUT

MORE than half of Beirut's healthcare facilities evaluated by the World Health Organisation are "non-functional" following last week's deadly portside explosion, the organisation said on Wednesday.

Following an assessment of 55 clinics and health centres in Beirut, "we know now that just over 50 per cent are non-functional," said WHO's regional emergency director Richard Brennan at a virtual press conference in Cairo. Three major hospitals were non-functional and another three operating at well below normal capacity, he said. "That means we have lost around 500 beds," he added.

He urged Lebanese authorities to "restore functionality of many of those health facilities as quickly as possible."

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SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
(Under Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below Borrower/ Co- Borrower that the below described immovable property mortgaged to Tata Capital Housing Finance Ltd. (Secured Creditor), the Physical Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Tata Capital Housing Finance Ltd. (Secured Creditor), will be sold on **29/08/2020 "As is where is" & "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of total sum of outstanding from Borrower/Co-borrower. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below.

Whereas the sale of secured asset is to be made to recover the secured debt and whereas there was a due of a sum of mentioned below. Notice is hereby given that, in the absence of any postponement/ discontinuance of the sale, the said property shall be sold by E- Auction at respective branches. The sealed E- Auction for the purchase of the property along with EMD Demand Draft shall be received by the Authorized Officer of the **TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LTD.** The sale of the property will be in "as is where is condition" and the liabilities and claims attaching to the said property, so far as they have been ascertained, are specified in the Schedule.

Sl No.	Loan A/c No. Branch	Name of Obligor(s)/ Legal Heir(s)/ Legal Representative (s)	Amount as per Demand Notice	Reserve Price	Earnest Money	Date of Property Inspection	Last date & time of submission of sealed Bid / Offer	Date & Time of E-Auction
1	9892376 Bangalore	M CHANDRA (Borrower) and Mrs. Mamatha K M. (Co-Borrower)	Rs.19,08,789/- as on 27th Oct, 2018	Rs.24,96,000/-	Rs.2,49,600/-	17/08/2020 between 11 AM to 5.00 PM.	28/08/2020 till 5 PM.	29/08/2020 between 2.00 PM to 3.00 PM

Description of Secured Asset: All that piece and parcel of property bearing No.2206, Gram Panchayat No. 150300402600303388, situated at Sulibele Village & Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring East to West: 18.28 Mtrs and North to South: 12.18 Mtrs totally measuring 222.96 Mtrs and followed with boundaries:- East: Road, West: Site No.2, North: Road, South: Site No.11 & 12.

2	9772682 Bangalore	Mr. Karthik Chandrashekhar (Borrower) Mr. Gundappa Chandrashekar (Co-borrower)	Rs. 20,69,080/- as on 20th November, 2018	Rs.31,48,200/-	Rs.3,14,820/-	17/08/2020 between 11 AM to 5.00 PM.	28/08/2020 till 5 PM.	29/08/2020 between 2.00 PM to 3.00 PM

Description of Secured Assets: DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: ITEM NO.1: All that piece and parcel of Vacant Site No.1, Katha No. 40, Assessment No. 4, Situated at KG Sreekantapura Village, Madavara Vilage Panchayath, Dasanpura Hobli, Banglaore North Taluk and bounded on: East: Others property, West : 25 ft road, North: Others property and South: Site No.2. Measuring East to West 43.5ft and North to South 31 ft totally measuring 1348.5 Sq ft.

ITEM NO.2: All that piece and parcel of Vacant Site No.2, Katha No. 40, Assessment No. 4, Situated at KG Sreekantapura Village, Madavara Vilage Panchayath, Dasanpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk and bounded on: East: Others property, West : 25 ft road, North: Site No.1 and, South: Site No.3. Measuring East to West 42.5ft and North to South 30 ft totally measuring 1275 Sq ft.

At the Auction, the public generally is invited to submit their bid(s) personally
The description of the Secured asset/ property that will be put up for sale is as per above Schedule. The E auction will be stopped if, amount due as aforesaid, with interest and costs (including the cost of the sale) are tendered to the 'Authorized Officer' or proof is given to his satisfaction that the amount of such secured debt, interest and costs has been paid before the date of the auction.
No officer or other person, having any duty to perform in connection with this sale shall, however, directly or indirectly bid for, acquire or attempt to acquire any interest in the property sold.
The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 and to the following further conditions:
The E-auction will take place through portal **https://DisposalHub.com** on **29/08/2020 between 2.00 PM to 3.00 PM** with limited extension of 10 minutes each.
Terms and Condition:
1. The particulars specified in the Schedule herein below have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned, but the undersigned shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. In the event of any dispute arising as to the amount bid, or as to the bidder, the lot shall at once again be put up to auction subject to the discretion of Secured Creditor. **2.** The property shall not be sold below the Reserve Price. **3.** Bid Increment Amount will be: Rs.10,000/- (Ten Thousand Only) **4.** All the Bids submitted for the purchase of the property shall be accompanied by Earnest Money as mentioned above by way of a Demand Draft favoring the "TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LTD." payable Bangalore. No 82/1, Ground Floor, Krishna Towers, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025.The Demand Drafts will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders after auction. **5.** The highest bidder shall be declared as successful bidder provided always that he/she is legally qualified to bid and provided further that the bid amount is not less than the reserve price. It shall be in the discretion of the 'Authorized Officer' to decline acceptance of the highest bid when the price offered appears so clearly inadequate as to make it inadvisable to do so. **6.** For reasons recorded, it shall be in the discretion of the 'Authorized Officer' to adjourn/discontinue the sale. **7.** The person declared as a successful bidder shall, immediately after such declaration, deposit twenty-five per cent of the amount of purchase money/bid which would include EMD amount to the 'Authorized Officer' within 24Hrs and in default of such deposit, the property shall forthwith be put to fresh auction/Sale by private treaty. **8.** In case the initial deposit is made as above, the balance amount of the purchase money payable shall be paid by the purchaser to the 'Authorized Officer' on or before the 15th day from the date of confirmation of the sale of the property, exclusive of such day, or if the 15th day be a Sunday or other holiday, then on the first office day after the 15th day. **9.** In the event of default of any payment within the period mentioned above, the property shall be put to fresh auction/Sale by private treaty. The deposit including EMD shall stand forfeited by TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LTD and the defaulting purchaser shall lose all claims to the property. **10.** Details of any encumbrances, known to the TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LTD, to which the property is liable: Nil. Claims, if any, which have been put forward to the property and any other known particulars bearing on its nature and value: Nil **11.** For any other details or for procedure online training on e-Auction to the prospective bidders may contact the Client Service Delivery (CSD) Department of our Sales & Marketing and e-Auction Service Provider, M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited, Address: #203, 2nd Floor, Shree Shyam Palace, Sector: 4&5 Crossing, Railway Road, Gurugram – 122 006 through its Mobile No. +91 97100 29933, +91 98100 29926, Tel. No. +91 124 4 233 933, E-mail ID: CSD@disposalhub.com or Arijit Bhatt, Email id Arijit.bhatt@tatacapital.com Authorized Officer Mobile No 9029073280. Please send your query on WhatsApp Number – 9029073280. **12.** Please refer to the below link provided in secured creditor's website **For Sl. No. 1: https://bit.ly/33PnPTB For Sl. No. 2 : https://bit.ly/31Dwhmw for the above details.**

Date: 12/08/2020, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorized Officer, Tata Capital Housing Finance Ltd.**

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E-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders under two bid system are invited through e-Procurement Portal of G.O.K. from interested Companies for the following:

Item No.	Description	Quantity	E M D Rs. Ps.
1.	Supply, Erection and commissioning of Diesel Generator Set-20 KVA & 25 KVA (Under Buyback of old D.G-12.5 & 15 KVA)	6 No.s	75,000/-
2.	Supply, Installation and Commissioning Belt Conveyor Systems to CPP Bottle SFM Plant	1 Set	25,000/-
3.	Supply of Heat Recovery Units-(for Bulk Milk Cooler)	5 No.s	20,000/-
4.	Supply and Installation of Split Type Air Conditioner	5 No.s	10,000/-
5.	Supply of Plastic Disposable Mask on Annual Rate Contract	2 Lakhs	25,000/-
6.	Supply of Ghee Pet Jar Label on Annual Rate Contract Basis	9 Lakhs	15,000/-
	Printing & Supply of New year Diary-2021	6500 No.s (Approx)	15,000/-
7.	Supply of Computer Stationery	LOT	20,000/-
8.	Supply of Marketing & Sales Promotion Materials on A.R.C	LOT	25,000/-
9.	Supply of Nandini Paneer Pouches (1Kg & 180 Grms)	6.5 Lakhs	40,000/-
10. 11.	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Security Video Surveillance System (CCTV) With Accessories At Mangalore Dairy & Udupi Dairy, Uppoor	Lump sum	20,000/-
12.	Empanelment of Suppliers for supply of Agro based BRIQUETTES to Mangalore/Udupi Dairy/ Manipal C C on Annual Rate Contract	500 MTs per Month	50,000/-

The Last Date for Submission of Bids is : **10.09.2020 by 4.00 PM.**
Date of Opening of Technical Tender : **on 11.09.2020 at 4.30PM**
Date of Opening of Commercial Tender : **Will be intimated later**
Item-wise detailed Tender Form cost is as per e-Procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka. The Managing Director reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.
Further details can be had from e-Procurement website: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**. Helpdesk Phone **08046010000, 08022631200** and email support: **support@ihelpdsk.com**
Place: Mangalore Sd/-,
Date: 12.08.2020 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT DIVISION:YADGIR
No.EE/PWD/Divn/YDG/TS-3/e-Tender/2020-21/851 Dated: 07-08-2020

SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION (THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT PORTAL ONLY)

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka as per KTTP Amendment 1999-2000 Act 2000 Standard Bid Document KW-3 Karnataka Public Works Department invites item Rate Tender by Two Cover System Through e-Procurement Portal from Eligible Agency/Contractors for Construction of Ground Floor Proposed Construction of Six Class Rooms to Govt. PU College Building and Toilet Block at Konkal Village in Yadgir Taluka & District. (Under SDP for the year 2019-20)(KPWD/2020-21/BD/WORK_INDENT124418). Amount Put to Tender Rs. 89,27,039.97, EMD Rs. 1,78,600.00 (Part-1 Rs. 50,000.00 and Part-2 Rs.1,28,600.00), Stipulated Period for completion of work 06 (Six) Months (Including Mansoon), Tender Processing as per e-Procurement portal. Tender Documents can be obtained from Karnataka e-procurement portal from 14-08-2020 onwards. For More Details Contact the Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD, Division, Yadgir during office hours OR log on Website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in OR e-procurement help desk 080-25501216/25501227.
NOTE- 1)The successful Tenderer must Deliver Security Deposit Amount equivalent to 5% of contract price in the form of FDR/TDR/Bank Guarrantee:plus additional security for unbalanced tender as per GO No./PWD/289/CRM/2013,Bangalore. Dtd.13-11-2013, 2) Turn-Over Certificate Without UDI Number will not be considered AND 3) Rates are excluding GST & GST amount will be paid separately on contact amount during the payment.
Calender of Events
1) Date & Time for receipt of queries : 17-08-2020 17.30 Hrs. 2) Last Date & Time for submission of the tender in e-procurement portal : 24-08-2020 16.00 Hrs. 3) Date & Time of Opening of the Technical Bid : 25-08-2020 16.30 Hrs. 4) Date & Time of Opening of the Financial Bid : 27-08-2020 11.30 Hrs.
DIP/Yadgiri/98/MC&A/2020-21 **Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD, Division:Yadgir.**

GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU
HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT
TRICHY (H) NABARD AND RURAL ROADS, CIRCLE
TENDER NOTICE
Tender Notice No.15/2020-21/SDO/Dated : 12.8.2020

For and on behalf of Governor of Tamilnadu Percentage Tender will be received by the **Superintending Engineer (H) NABARD & Rural Roads, Circle, Trichy for Package No.1 and Package No.27,29,36,38,52,53 & 55 under** Upgradation of Panchayat / Panchayat Union Roads 2020-21 works in respect of **Trichy & Madurai** (H) NABARD & Rural Roads Divisions upto **14.00** hours on **31.8.2020** through online only.

Details of works, approximate value of works, EMD, availability of tender documents and all other details are available from **18.8.2020** onwards in the Government website **http://tntenders.gov.in** If any changes / corrections etc in the tender, it will be published on the above website only.

DIPR/3025/TENDER/2020 **Superintending Engineer (H), A/c NABARD and Rural Roads Circle, Trichy.**

TAMIL NADU HOUSING BOARD SPECIAL PROJECT CIRCLE - 1
SHORT TERM TENDER NOTICE NO:SE/SPC-1/04/2020-21 Dated: 12.08.2020

Sealed competitive tenders with Pre-Qualification System duly superscribed on the covers with name of work, reference No, due date and name of tenderer are invited for the following works so as to reach the office of the Superintending Engineer, Special Project Circle-I, Tamil Nadu Housing Board No.493, Anna Salai, Nandanam, Chennai - 600 035 upto 11.00 A.M. (as per office clock) on **28.08.2020** the due dates mentioned below. The tenders will be opened by the undersigned at his office at 11.30 A.M. on the same day in the presence of the tenderer or their agent who choose to be present.

Sl. No.	Description of Work	Approximate value	EMD Amount
1	Providing interior works in Koyambedu CMDA building (Including GST)	4.00 Crores	Rs. 2,10,000/-

Last Date for receipt of tender **28.08.2020 upto 11.00 am.,** Period during which the tender schedule available for sale **upto 27.08.2020,** Cost of tender schedule **Rs.15,750/-** (Non refundable).
CONDITIONS FOR ISSUE OF TENDER DOCUMENTS: 1. The Contractors registered (the registration certificate should be reclassified and renewed upto date) under class-I in TNHB, PWD, TNPHC, TNSCB and other Government / Quasi Government Departments with appropriate monitory limit are eligible to participate in the tender. 2. The Tenderer should have executed works of similar nature of work specifically in office interior works more than 50% of the Value of work put to tender, in a single contract within the last 5 years period. A certificate from the concerned department not below the rank of Superintending Engineer / Executive Engineer Should be furnished. 3. Further particulars and tender documents can be had from the Office of the **Superintending Engineer, (Special Project Circle-I), Tamil Nadu Housing Board, Nandanam, Chennai-35.** Note: 1. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason therefore. 2. The tender schedule can also be downloaded from the website **www.tenders.tn.gov.in** at free of cost.

493, Annai Salai, Nandanam, Chennai- 35, Ph: 044 - 24353544 DIPR/3032/Tender/2020 **Superintending Engineer, Special Project Circle-I.**

Government of Karnataka
Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department
Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency
Executive Engineer, K.R.R.D.A. Project Division, Near Jyothi College, Club road, Belgavi-590002
Phone: (0836)2420728 Fax: (0836)2420728 e-mail:kn-blg@pmgsy.nic.in

No.EE/KRRDA/BGM Dn/Tender/Notification/2020-21/409 Date:11.08.2020

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, Karnataka Rural Road Development Agency invites Short term 2-cover Item Rate **Tender** in **Belagavi Grameen** Constituency of Belagavi District. Namma Gram Namma Raste Yojane Roads damaged in flood and **Kudachi Constituency** for Special Development Programme The calendar events of the tender is as below. This scheme is fully funded by the Government of Karnataka.

Sl. No.	Name of Work / Package No	Indent No	Amount put to tender
1	Improvements to Road - Navage to Hangaraga in Belagavi Grameen Constituency in Belagavi Taluka. (Flood Damage work)	4678	Rs.80,33,700.00
2	Improvements to Road from Chinchali Railway Station Suttati Road to Join Nilaji Road Via Murarji School (Kudachi Constituency) In Raibag Taluk, Belagavi District. (Special Development Programme)	4679	Rs.35,17,415.64

Calendar of Events of tendering is as follows:

1.	EMD	2% of Amount put to tender
2.	Accessing the bid document on e-procurement portal	12.08.2020, 10:30 Hrs
3.	Last date & time for submission of tender through online (Technical & Financial Bid)	20.08.2020, 16:30 Hrs
4.	Opening of Technical Bid	21.08.2020, 16:35 Hrs
5.	Opening of Financial Bid	will be intimated later

1. Class-I Contractors who have registered in PWD/CPWD and enrolled in PRED are eligible for participation in tendering. Award of contract depends on technical capability, work carrying capacity and Financial resourcefulness of the bidders.
2. The contractors who have been terminated from KRRDA for non completion of works and the contractors who have failed ro maintain the roads within the contract period, are not eligible for the participation in the tendering.
3. If contractors willing to quote lesser than amount put to tender, then Contractors have to submit the Additional Security Deposit in the form of FDR of Bank Guarantee amounting to rupees equivalent to difference between amount put to tender and quoted amount, a scanned copy of the same is to be uploaded while submitting the tender itself.
4. For further information, Executive Engineer, Project Division, Belagavi may be contacted (08312420728)
More details can be obtained from the website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in from 12.08.2020, 10:30 Hrs onwards.

Sd/-
Tendering Officer
Executive Engineer, Project Division Belgaum

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Buildings (C&M) Circle, Tirunelveli- 627 002.
TYPE OF CONTRACT: LUMPSUM (Pre Qualification (Two Cover System) & Rate Tender system)
Tender Notice No : 07/ 2020-2021, Dated:12.08.2020

For and on behalf of the Governor of Tamil Nadu sealed Tenders are invited from the contractors registered in Public Works Department in the appropriate class to the office of the Superintending Engineer, PWD, Buildings (C&M) Circle, Tirunelveli.

Tender Schedule Available Date : **13.08.2020 to 17.09.2020 Up to 5.45 PM**
Tender Schedule Receiving Date : **Up to 3.00 PM on 18.09.2020**
Tender Opening at : **3.30 PM on 18.09.2020**
Total No. of Works : **1**
Total Approximate Value of Works : **Rs.10500.00 Lakhs**

For further details and tender documents visit the website **www.tenders.tn.gov.in** and **www.tntenders.gov.in**

DIPR/3030/TENDER/2020 **SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, PWD., BUILDINGS (C&M) CIRCLE, TIRUNELVELI**

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Buildings (C&M) circle, (Medical Works), Madurai - 625 002.
Notice Inviting Tenders (Lumpsum Contract / Pre qualification Tender) (Two Cover System)
Tender Notice No : 04SE/BCMC(MW)/2020-2021/Dated : 10.08.2020

For and on behalf of Governor of Tamil Nadu sealed Tenders are invited from the contractors registered in Public Works Department in the appropriate class to the office of Superintending Engineer, PWD, Buildings (C&M) circle, (Medical Works), Madurai upto **3.00 PM** on **18.09.2020** Received tender will be opened at **3.30 PM** on the same day in the reference to the contractors of their authorized representatives who chose to be present at time. The tender schedule can also available in office at **13.08.2020** to **17.09.2020** upto **5.45 PM.**

PACKAGE NO : 1
MADURAI DISTRICT - (9 Slices)
Construction of following buildings in Madurai Medical College, Madurai due to increase of MBBS seats

Slice No 1 Construction of Animal House Building in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 2 Construction of Additional Amenities for Construction of Academic block and Teaching and Non teaching staff quarters in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 3 Construction of New Library block in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 4 Construction of Additional Hostel building for Male students in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 5 Construction of Additional Hostel building for Female students Block-I in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 6 Construction of Additional Hostel building for Female students Block-II in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 7 Construction of Additional Hostel building for Post Graduate students Block-II in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 8 Construction of Thoracic Medicine ward in Madurai Medical college, Madurai.
Slice No 9 Enhancement and shifting of HT service connection by providing 2 Nos 1250 KVA,/11 KV transformer (1 No Stand by) with DG set, MV panel, Bus duct arrangements, CCTV, LCD, PA system and Air conditioner arrangements in Madurai Medical college Campus at Madurai.

Package No. 1 : Total value of Slices Rs. 6514.75 Lakhs

For further details and tender documents visit the website **www.tenders.tn.gov.in** and **www.tntenders.gov.in.**

DIPR/ 3024 /TENDER/2020 **Superintending Engineer, PWD., Buildings (C&M) circle (Medical Works), Madurai.**

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
37.38 ▼	Sensex	38,369.63	₹183 ▼	24 carat (1 gm)	₹5,345	₹7,500 ▼	Per kg	₹65,000	▲ Dollar		74.83
14.10 ▼	Nifty	11,308.40	₹313 ▼	22 carat (1 gm)	₹5,075	₹7.5 ▼	Per gm	₹65	▼ Euro		87.89

NO MAJOR HIT

A total of 35 Nifty50 companies that had released results as of August 10, 2020 saw aggregate net profit falling by 16.3% y-o-y

CLOSE TO ESTIMATES

Revenue declined 27.7 per cent overall and 28.4 per cent excluding the financial sector, according to MOFSL

Q1 profits hit hard, but decline lower than feared

JONATHAN ANANDA @ New Delhi

IF we were to go by financial results released so far for the April-June 2020 quarter (Q1 FY21), India Inc has managed to weather the Covid-19 storm a little better than expected.

Considering that the period witnessed one of the world's strictest lockdowns in its first half, analysts had feared a steep fall in profit and revenues both. Excluding banks and other financial institutions, which were expected to do better, most analysts had estimated a 40-50 per cent year-on-year decline in aggregate net profit and a 30-40 per cent fall in revenue.

But an analysis by Motilal Oswal Financial Services (MOFSL) shows the dip may have been much shallower. The 35 Nifty50 companies that had released results as of August 10, 2020 posted better-than-estimated figures — aggregate net profit declining by 16.3 per cent year-on-year. Excluding banks, aggregate net profit fell 22.6 per cent — steep, but only half as bad as expected.

Revenue numbers came in closer to estimates, falling 27.7 per cent overall and 28.4 per cent excluding the financial sector.

> There was an across the board decline in sentiments on a quarter-on-quarter basis in the first quarter of FY21 for all five sectors including durables, capital goods
>
> NCAER

The shallower-than-expected fall in earnings is likely due to two factors: heavy cost cutting by panicked companies, and a better-than-expected revival in demand once the government began the unlocking the economy beginning late May.

The cost cutting is no surprise, a steady stream of layoffs having begun as early as April. In fact, a survey by National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) shows that business confidence in the first quarter of the current financial year was at a record low, falling over 40 per cent since March.

"This is the lowest that the BCI has ever fallen in... 113 rounds (of the survey)," the think-tank said, adding that the trend was seen across all five sectors the survey tracks: consumer durables, consumer non-durables, intermediate goods, capital goods, and services. NCAER tracks 600 Indian companies to compute the composite index.

State-run banks to raise ₹60K cr in equity capital

Experts say the exercise may not help public sector lenders to absorb the Covid-19 shock unless supplemented with support from states

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

AFTER private banks raised more than ₹50,000 crore from the market in last few months, now public-sector lenders are gearing up to raise over ₹60,000 crore in equity to improve their capital adequacy.

According to Icra estimates, the additional capital requirement can be as high as ₹45,000-82,500 crore for public sector banks during FY21. One of the largest state-run banks State Bank of India has already got its shareholders' approval to raise ₹20,000 crore this year. The bank is examining all options to raise the capital.

Punjab National Bank, which was recently merged with Oriental Bank of Commerce and United Bank of India, has also announced its plans to raise ₹10,000 crore from the market, which include both qualified institutional placement and FPO route. Similarly Bank of Baroda has also got nod to raise ₹13,500 crore from the market.

Among other, IDBI Bank, with LIC as new promoter, has plans to raise ₹11,000 crore equity capital to improve its capital base. Recently Canara Bank has also announced similar plans to raise ₹8,000 crore.

IN THE PIPELINE

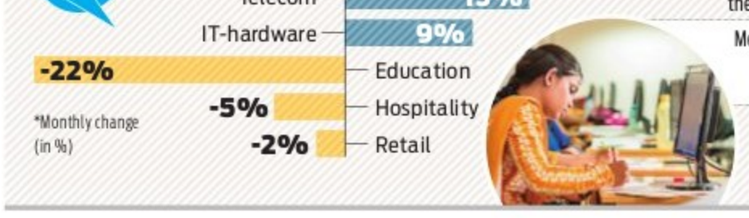
- IDBI Bank plans to raise ₹11,000 crore equity capital to improve its capital base.
- The capital requirement by public banks can be as high as ₹82,500 crore

However, the move may not be enough. "Indian state-owned banks' plans to raise capital from private sources will not be sufficient to mitigate anticipated risks unless supplemented with additional capital support from the state," noted Fitch Ratings, adding the proposal so far will likely add only around 100-150 basis points to state banks' existing common equity Tier 1 ratios.

The real impact of the stress will be visible only once the pandemic is over. "We believe recapitalisation requirements will be substantially higher once pandemic-related asset quality deterioration starts manifesting on bank balance sheets when regulatory forbearance ends, in which case raising equity will be more difficult," Fitch added.

HIRING RISE, ALBEIT AT A SLOWER PACE

According to Naukri.com's JobSpeak Index, hiring activity saw a five per cent month-on-month increase in July, but is still 47 per cent lower than what it was in July 2019. Education sector saw a massive 22 per cent fall in hiring. Here's a look at how each sector fared:



CITY-WISE JOBS

Given the intensity of COVID cases in metros and intermittent lockdown in a few places, hiring activity in metros declined more than the national average (-50% vs -47%)

Metro cities such as Chennai (-55%), Mumbai (-54%) and Bengaluru (-54%) led the decline in hiring

Smaller cities such as Chandigarh (-28%), Jaipur (-25%) and Kochi (-33%) were least impacted.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

PHONE PE SEES 50% GROWTH IN NEW USERS AMID COVID-19

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

THE rapid adoption of digital payment platforms especially for utilities, peer-to-peer transactions as well as e-commerce has led to a massive spike in digital payments. Walmart-owned fintech company PhonePe has seen its new user acquisitions swell by 50 per cent during the Covid-19 pandemic with a record 550 million transactions in June alone. This figure is equivalent to the pre-lockdown levels in February, Karthik Raghupathy, VP Strategy & Business Development, PhonePe told The New Indian Express in an interaction. Transactions for July, he added, is estimated to be even higher than the pre-lockdown levels. Excerpts:

Digital payments in India are on a rise. Has COVID-19 proved to be a catalyst?

The pandemic has certainly provided a push to digital transactions across the ecosystem. The simplicity, safety, and speed of UPI has made it a popular choice amongst Indians and has brought in millions of new digital payment users into the market. During the lockdown months, the biggest spike was in recharges and bill payments and we also observed users helping their family members, friends and household staff do digital transactions on PhonePe. We also saw a significant spike in person-to-person payments as well as use cases like food, grocery and medicines, digital gold, online doctor consultations and online games. Grocery purchases at offline stores grew both in terms of volume as well as ticket size.

And, how are the other financial services shaping along?

In the last 6 months, we have launched several products in the insurance and mutual funds categories. In the mutual funds category, we launched Liquid Funds and Super Funds to build long term wealth for our users. In addition to launching insurance for Covid-19, we also recently launched the Hospital Daily Cash insurance to take care of incidental expenses during hospitalization for any disease. We will have a comprehensive insurance and mutual funds platform by the end of the year. During the lockdown, we introduced multiple innovative features such as "Home Delivery" in our Stores page and "Pay Now" which enables customers to make the payment from within the PhonePe app without the need for scanning any QR. Since the launch, we have seen a three-fold increase in activity and a 50 per cent rise in daily traffic.

Could you give a comparison of transactions during COVID and pre-COVID months?

During the lockdowns months, our new user acquisition numbers increased by 50% and digital payments were being adopted by users across age groups, income levels, and locations. Our transaction volume for June at over 550 million transactions was back to February 2020 levels (pre-lockdown) and our July activity is even higher than that.

As digital payments assume greater significance, what are your expectations from the regulators/ govt?

Digital payments are going through a purple patch for the past few years. The government and regulators have done a lot to promote digital payments and we look forward to the financial regulators and the government to unblock and fast-track some of the critical regulations and policies. For instance, if we can get to a paperless, non-physical method of doing Know Your Customer (KYC) verification, the markets open up across payments, mutual funds, insurance and other financial services, it will give a huge boost to the entire digital payments ecosystem. It is time for a bunch of high-impact policy clearances to come in to remove the growth inhibitors.

TAX TALKS

PM to launch platform for honest taxpayers

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi will launch a new, transparent platform on Thursday for honouring India's honest taxpayers.

"The upcoming launch of the platform for 'Transparent Taxation Honoring the Honest' will further carry forward the journey of direct tax reforms, the Finance Ministry said in a statement on Wednesday, without unveiling further details.

Sources said it will be related to "taxpayer charter" announced by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in the Budget. The charter was expected to ensure trust between a taxpayer and the administration and reduce harassment, as well as increase efficiency of the department. Among measures taken was faceless assessment that allows most of the functions of the Income Tax Department starting from the filing of return, processing of returns, issuance of refunds and assessment are performed in the electronic mode without any human interface.

Use of smartphones for productivity increases 120%

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SMARTPHONES, regarded as a must-have personal item, have played a key role during the lockdown months (March 25 – May 31) in bringing about the new normal of social distancing and safe procedures.

Dependence on handsets for productivity rose 120 per cent during April-May when compared to levels before the coronavirus outbreak, finds a CyberMedia Research survey titled, Mobile Industry Consumer Insights. The study, conducted in association with TECNO Mobile, covered consumers in the age groups of 20 to 35, and socio-economic levels of SEC B & SEC C, having an affordable smartphone in the price range of ₹6000 – ₹10, 000. Accessing information on government schemes, content creation and sharing, and collaboration, online banking and shopping accounted for most of the work related activity on smartphones, per the survey.

"As a Black Swan event, the users were not really prepared for the lockdown, and had to depend on their smartphones to tide over. The smartphone is a key daily driver for consumers living in cities and towns beyond Tier I. What the survey highlights is how smartphone usage is changing, during lockdown and in the neo-normal, cutting across use cases, such as productivity and personal development. In preparation for the neo normal, consumers are seeking smartphones that offer larger screen size and better battery life," Prabhu Ram, Head-Industry Intelligence Group (IIG), CMR, said.

However, as sales of non essentials resumed, many upgraded to laptops and the dependence on smartphones for work reduced. According to CMR, the use of smartphones for productivity rose only 40 per cent in June, as compared to pre-covid-19 months.

> Our SPARK series, in sub-10K smartphone category, is a testimony to TECNO's deep commitment of introducing products with features where the consumer is more ready to experiment with the product
>
> Arijeet Talapatra, CEO, TRANSSION India

EXPRESS READ

M&M Financial Services raises ₹3,089 cr

New Delhi: Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services, a non-banking financial arm of Mahindra Group, on Wednesday said it has raised ₹3,088.82 crore through a rights issue which was oversubscribed. The issue, which opened for subscription on July 28, was subscribed approximately 1.3 times, resulting in a demand of over ₹4,000 crore, the firm said.

Gem, jewellery exports dip 38% in July: GJEPC

New Delhi: Gems and jewellery exports fell by 38.10 per cent in July to $1.35 billion (around ₹10,185 crore) due to weak global demand on account of the Covid-19 pandemic, according to the Gems and Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC). Exports stood at $2.2 billion (around ₹15,112 crore) in July last year. During April-July this fiscal, exports dipped by 50.36 per cent.

NETAFIM BAGS $85 MN DEAL FOR 3 PROJECTS

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

ISRAEL-headquartered irrigation equipment maker, Netafim, has clinched an $85 million deal which will involve three new community irrigation projects in Karnataka. These projects will cover 66 villages and 35,000 farmers on 50,000 hectares area (123,500 acres) in Karnataka (Nandwadgi and Singatalur regions). Projects will be deployed over a period of two years and will include technical and agronomic support for another five years. For project execution, Netafim will collaborate with Indian Infrastructure company, MEIL (Megha Engineering and Infrastructure Limited), the company said in a statement.

Netafim has been pioneering the drip irrigation mechanism globally which involves significant reduction in water, pesticide usage, improving the quality of agriculture produce for sustainable farming activities. Besides, the global firm will train the Karnataka farmers to operate advanced irrigation systems for growing wide range of crops including to operate the advanced systems. Official data shows that new projects will cost nearly ₹1.6 lakh crore to the state exchequer.

AUTOMOBILE

Ashok Leyland posts ₹389 cr loss in Q1 FY21

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

INDIA's second largest commercial vehicle maker Ashok Leyland on Wednesday reported a net loss of ₹389 crore for the first quarter ended June owing to a near nine-fold drop in revenue. The Hinduja Group flagship company had posted a net profit of ₹230 crore for the April-June quarter of last year.

Revenue stood at ₹651 crore for the quarter as against ₹5,684 crore for the same period last year, due to the lockdown on account of the COVID-19 pandemic, the company said.

"With the pandemic hitting us, this has been one of the most challenging quarters for the industry. We saw a significant decline in volumes, consequently, Ashok Leyland also saw a reduction in volume, affecting the financial performance adversely," said Vipin Sondhi, MD & CEO.

Sondhi addded that the company's recently launched unique Modular Business Platform "AVTR", which gives customers the flexibility to choose vehicles as per their requirements will be a game changer in the industry.

Gold buying frenzy intact despite price surge, says Kalyan Jewellers

BINITA JAISWAL @ Chennai

KERALA-based jewellery retail chain Kalyan Jewellers has reached 85 per cent of its pre-covid level sales in July, driven by increased demand for wedding jewellery. Despite rising prices, consumers are not hesitating to buy the yellow metal but instead investing more in it, said Ramesh Kalyanaraman, executive director, Kalyan Jewellers.

"Sales have picked up and we are witnessing a quick recovery. We are pleasantly surprised after noticing good ticket size increase in wedding jewellery purchase. Customers who had done pre-wedding booking with us, are now spending at least 35 per cent more than the booked amount. Those who are getting married during the lockdown are diverting the money meant for other expenses on jewellery, which has boosted sales," Kalyanaraman told *TNIE*.

In fact, the surging prices of the yellow metal has not deterred customers from making big purchases. "When gold prices rise, people in India tend to spend more on it. People see it as a safe bet of investment during the chaotic, uncertain times. Many who usually spent their salaries on pleasure trips and other entertainment, are preferring to invest the money in gold amid the pandemic," added Kalyanaraman.

Besides, when the lockdown was announced it was peak business time, coinciding with summer weddings and Akshaya Tritiya around. The pent-up demand of gold also helped the company in faster revival as lockdown were gradually relaxed. In July, about 77 of Kalyan showrooms were open while in August almost 85 per cent out of its total 107 showrooms, are operational.

To leverage its sales further, Kalyan has been focusing more on digital advertisement campaigns along with introducing new sales methods like video calling, and virtual try ons, among others. The jeweller further plans to increase its digital ad spends from 2 per cent to 5 per cent this year.

Gold falls over 10% in two days, recovers later

After rallying for months, Gold prices fell over ten per cent in the past two trading days (lows) on account of profit booking and Covid-19 vaccine developed by Russia. On the Multi-Commodity Exchange (MCX), October gold contracts were trading below ₹50, 000 per 10 gram in early morning deals. Last week, gold prices in India had jumped over ₹56,000. Later in the day, however, gold prices witnessed healthy recovery and closed the trading at ₹52,000.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

Current Price ₹517.4

Target Price ₹560

TATA CONSUMER

The Tata Group isclearly focused on leveraging its brand and participating in India's consumption story of INR30t, which has resulted in the merger of TataChemicals' Food biz with TCP. Over FY20-22E, sales/ EBITDA/ PAT is expected at CAGR of 11%/24%/23%.

—Motilal Oswal Financial Services

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Hafeez breaches bio-secure protocols

Mohammad Hafeez, the Pakistan allrounder, has been told to self-isolate after breaching biosecurity protocols by posing for a photo with a member of the public. Hafeez tweeted a picture of himself with an elderly lady from the golf course adjacent to the team hotel despite strict instructions that they shouldn't interact with anyone outside the bubble.

What docs order...

Experts feel symptomatic players could take at least two months to gain full fitness, emphasis on breathing exercise for fast recovery

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @Chennai

THE SYNERGY between elite athletes and their lungs has been well documented across the ages. If and when that synergy is lost, athletes may never get back to their optimum best. It's why sportspersons with underlying lung conditions — asthma for example — have to battle extra odds to reach or stay at the top of their game.

In times of Covid-19, how do affected athletes safely come back and train before returning to competition? The disease itself may have a low mortality rate among the young but the devastation it causes to the lungs, even among healthy individuals, may temporarily halt the careers of athletes.

On a day when six of India's best hockey players continue their treatment in hospital after testing positive for the coronavirus, the answer isn't simple.

As Bibhu Nayak, the current chairman of International Hockey Federation (FIH)'s medical and safety committee, says, 'cardiology and pulmonary opinion will have to be taken before the athletes can be allowed back into the field'. "The return to sport for all affected athletes will be a three-step process," he says. "Returning to physical activity, followed by training before returning to competition." The three-step process could be a drawn out process over several months, it cannot happen overnight.

As Saif Hasan Naqvi, a doctor who has been on the roster of IPL teams, says, "It will also depend on the impact that the virus has left on the body, it may vary from individual to individual." Because this virus is known to leave behind lung damage even among healthy individuals, athletes may never know what shape they are in till they return.

However, because the hockey calendar, at least from an Indian perspective, wears a deserted look, the ones who are affected can take it easy. "There is not going to be much events," Nayak, who has been to the Olympics as part of the Indian medical team, observes. "So, that sense of urgency may not be there. If there was a tournament around the corner, it would've been a challenge."

Naqvi, who has also served as a physio for several ONGC hockey sides over the years, is of the opinion that recovery will be faster if the players visit a respiratory therapist. "A respiratory therapist will make them breathe better."

After quarantine finishes, the hockey camp for the men's team will commence on August 20. But for the players laid low by the virus, it's likely they may not see the turf at least till October. "Make sure that your breathing capacity, lungs and heart are working properly before gradually increasing the workload. In one and a half to two months, they can play with proper force."

Five other players also shifted to hospital

ALL six hockey players who tested positive for the coronavirus will continue their treatment in hospital. A day after Mandeep Singh was moved to a private hospital, the other five players were also moved to the same private hospital 'as a precautionary measure', according to the Sports Authority of India (SAI). "The decision to hospitalise them was taken so as to ensure that the players were attended to at all times and could be given the best possible treatment. All six athletes are in good health and recovering well." ENS

COVID-19 POSITIVES CAUSE FOR CONCERN

It's not like Atletico aren't without problems. They will be without influential winger Angel Correa and Sime Vrsjalko, who both tested positive for the coronavirus a few days ago. The loss of Correa, especially, who scored seven and assisted eight goals in all competitions this year, will definitely be a big blow.

1 Atletico are aiming to reach their first semifinal since the 2016-17 season.

8 Leipzig have only conceded eight goals in as many matches in Europe this season.

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Battle of equals

Two evenly matched sides with contrasting idealogies face each other in the second quarterfinal of the Champions League. Here's a brief look at Atletico vs Leipzig...

GERMAN PRESS VS SPANISH EFFICIENCY

Broadly speaking, how well the German team's all action proactive press deals with Atletico's low block could decide the one-legged affair. Diego Simeone sets his side out to frustrate before catching teams on the cold and Leipzig could fall to a sucker punch if they aren't careful.

ABSENCE OF WERNER

Ahead of the tie, Timo Werner, the side's top-scorer left for Chelsea. Without him, Czech Patrick Schick will be in focus apart from Marcel Sabitzer.

Seeking training with 2021 in mind

ASHIM SUNAM @Bengaluru

LACK of proper training facilities for Bengaluru athletes at present has forced them to look at alternatives. The relaying of the synthetic track at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium is on hold because of the pandemic, so it's unavailable. The SAI campus can only be used by elite athletes due to the pandemic. Some athletes have opted for areas like Cubbon Park but even that is open for only two hours each in the morning and evening.

One such athlete is 17-year-old **Priya H Mohan**, who started training near Queen Victoria Statue in the park since late last month, under the watch of her coach Arjun Ajay. She is primarily working on her fitness. Despite the 200m track available adjacent the stadium, Priya has not trained there as Arjun feels training in that track is difficult as archers can also train in the area and it is also not well maintained.

The Mount Carmel College student, after clocking 54.31 in 400m at the South Asian Games, has more or less qualified for the U-20 World Championships in Kenya, which was pushed to 2021. The qualification timing for the event was 54.85, but she has to do well in the Junior Fed Cup next year too. If other competitors also manage to cross the qualification mark, things could get tricky. "She has to prove herself again in the Fed Cup to go for U-20 Worlds," said Arjun.

All plans are in place to help the athlete improve upon her performance. She will travel to Ooty for high altitude training next month, which means she will get access to a proper track too. She will train at the Madras Regiment Centre in Wellington. "Let me be clear here, we are not going to Ooty because no track is available to train here in the city. Going there (Ooty) was the original plan. Once we do a lot of endurance work at high altitude, her lung capacity will increase and it will help improve upon her performance," he explained.

If all things go according to plan, her first real test will be the junior inter-state championships in November. She has not participated in any competitive race in 2020 and is eager to compete to know where she stands. "Everything is uncertain. I hope it (race) does start, as it will be my first race after a long time. More importantly, it will help me understand about my form, my fitness, timings and what areas I need to improve further as I move ahead and feature in other competitions," said Priya.

Athlete fails dope test

INDRANEEL DAS @Chennai

A DAY after a woman cricketer tested positive, a middle distance athlete returned positive for banned substances in out of compatition test in Kolkata. The middle-distance runner represents Bengal and has won a silver at nationals.

According to information available, Shipra Sarkar tested positive for anabolic androgenic steroid. The athlete is part of registered testing pool (RTP) of the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) and has been provisionally suspended and faces a ban of up to four years. She tested positive for androsterone, etiocholanolone, which is a major metabolite of testosterone and androstenedione, and testosterone and epitestosterone (T/E) ratio is 9.11 (higher than World Anti-Doping limit of 6).

According to sports medicine expert, anabolic steroid helps in muscle building and gives athletes explosive energy to compete in events like 800m. "The report is showing a drastic abuse of various substances," said Ashok Ahuja, former head of the department of sports medicine and sciences in NIS Patiala. "This will have serious side effects in the athletes, especially in young ones. It will have mysterious side effect on all systems of your body."

EXPRESS READ

Sans Stokes, England face Pakistan

SOUTHAMPTON: England may have won the series opener against Pakistan but the absence of Ben Stokes leaves them with arguably the bigger selection headache going into Thursday's second Test at Southampton. Since England won with more than a day to spare in Manchester, it has been announced that star all-rounder Stokes will miss the rest of the series as a result of travelling to New Zealand to be with his ill father.

First case in IPL, RR coach tests positive

AGENCIES @Jaipur

RAJASTHAN Royals' fielding coach Dishant Yagnik has tested positive for COVID-19, the IPL franchise announced on Wednesday. The 13th edition of Indian Premier League is set to take place in the UAE from September 19 to November 10.

"Rajasthan Royals would like to inform that their fielding coach Dishant Yagnik has tested positive for COVID-19," the franchise said in a statement. "The test was undertaken keeping in mind that the team members need to assemble in Mumbai next week for their flight to the UAE. The franchise implemented an extra test for all players, support staff and management travelling to the UAE in addition to the two tests recommended by BCCI, to ensure as robust a process as possible."

Yagnik is in his hometown of Udaipur and has been advised to get admitted to a hospital for the mandatory 14-day quarantine. He will join the team after returning two negative tests.

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No.: EIC/30/PRAMC/Services/2020-21 Dated: 11-08-2020

The Executive Engineer, PRAMC, KPW, P & IWTD on behalf of Governor of Karnataka, invites Short Term Tenders for out sourcing the Man Power services and Hiring of vehicles (Car) for conveyance of Planning and Road Asset Management Centre (PRAMC Office). Further details can be obtained from Karnataka e-Procurement portal (**www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**) from **14-08-2020**.

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SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

BESCOM invites tender against **Enquiry No. SEE/RMGC/EE(O)/AE/292 Dated: 13.08.2020** for Arranging HT power supply to an extent of 1000 KVA installation irrigation of Cauvery Neeravary Nigam Ltd., Ramanagara at Sy No. 190 of Kabbalu Viilage limits in Kabbal section, Sathanur Sub division in Kanakapura Division of Ramanagara Circle on **"Total Turnkey basis on Rate Contract Basis"** of BESCOM, Bengaluru.

Last date for submitting the bids: 27.08.2020 upto 16.00 Hrs.

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TENDER NOTIFICATION

(Two Cover System) (Through e-Procurement Portal only)

Sealed tenders are invited from reputed contractors/agencies through e-tendering portal **for Hiring of 7.5 MT Tipper for a period of Six Months during FY 2020-21 at KPCL in RTPS, Shakthinagar.** The amount put to tender is **Rs. 9,13,500/-.** The EMD **Rs. 23,000/-.** Interested bidders may submit the bids through e-Tendering website: **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for receipt of tenders on: **18.08.2020 up to 17.30 Hrs.** Date of opening of technical bids: **20.08.2020 at 08.00 Hrs.** Date of opening of financial bids: **21.08.2020 at 10.00 Hrs.** Further details can be had from the office of the **Executive Engineer (HMT), RTPS, KPCL, Shakthinagar-584 170. Raichur (Dist.) Mobile: 9449596548 and Telephone No.08532-246125 Fax No:08532-246118**

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No. SGITO/e-Tender/Plastic surgery/04/2020-21 Date: 12.08.2020

TENDER NOTIFICATION

(e-Procurement)

Sanjay Gandhi Institute of Trauma & Orthopaedics, Byrasandra, Jayanagar East, Bangalore-II invites tender from the eligible tenderers through the e-procurement portal of GOK for the following **Plastic Surgery Equipments.**

(1) Skin Graft Mesher-1 No. (2) Hand held Doppler-2 Nos (3) Magnifying loupes with head light-2 Nos (4) Electric Pen drill-1 No.

(1) The Tenderers can download the documents from **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** for Sl.No. (1) to (4) on or after **13.08.2020** and the last date for submission of completed tenders through e-portal is **14.09.2020 upto 4.00 pm**

(2) The Tender Accepting Authority reserves the right to accept / reject or cancel tender without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/-
Chief Administrative Officer I/c
Tender Inviting Authority

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For details of works/Procurement/Due date of submission/opening Corrigendum, Due date extension, viewing and downloading of e-tenders, please visit websites: www.tangedco.gov.in www.tenders.tn.gov.in, www.tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app.

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MC&A Ltd., invites EoI as per KTPP Act, 1999 through e-procurement portal from interested vendors, agencies and firms for Empanelment as Business Associates for providing services for **(1) Event and Other Media (2) Printing and other Print Related Services.** Those interested may download the documents from e-procurement website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** Last date for submission of EoI : **26.08.2020 up to 6.00 p.m.** The Management has the right to accept or reject any or all the EoI without assigning any reasons thereon.

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1. The Tender due dates are extended as follows:

1)	Tender No.PKG1/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/RAD/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Digital X-ray Machine (4), Digital Radiography with Fluoroscopy (8), Mobile X-ray -100 mA (9), Computed Radiography Machine (5) & C-Arm Machine (19)
2)	Tender No.PKG2/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/MAM/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Digital Mammography System (3)
3)	Tender No.PKG3/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/USG/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Ultrasound Machine (5), Ultrasonogram Colour Doppler with 3 probes (18) & Portable Ultrasound Machine (6)
4)	Tender No.PKG4/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/END/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Upper GI Endoscope Entire Set (13), Video Duodenoscope with ERCP accessories entire set (10), Video Colonoscope Entire Set (12), Endoscopic table (20), Endoscopic Washer disinfector (13), Video Bronchoscope (Flexible) (2) & Ultraslim Video Gastroscope (6)
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6)	Tender No.PKG6/ICB/TNUHP/JICA/C2/OPE-I/TNMSC/ENGG/2020, dt.04.02.2020 - Multipara Monitor (4), Multiparamonitor with IBP (4), Multiparamonitor with ETCO2 (18), Defibrillator (15), Anesthesia Work Station with monitor (18), Anesthesia Workstation (20), Operation Theatre fracture Table (with ortho attachment, C-arm compatible) (17) & Operation Theatre Table (with General Surgery attachment) (10)
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KARNATAKA POWER TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LIMITED
(CIN: U40109KA1999SGC025521)

No: EEE/AEE/MWSD-2/CKM/2020-21/548-52 Date: 28-07-2020

NOTIFICATION

The Karnataka Power Transmission corporation limited have formulated a scheme under section 67 of the Electricity supply Act 2003 and the same is herewith published in pursuance of section 67(2)(C) of the said act for information to the public. Particulars of the scheme are as follows.

1. **APPROXIMATE PROJECT COST:-** 2138.54 Lakhs.
2. **Name of the Work:-** 110kV SBT-2 DC Line on DC towers for a distance of 60.28kms in the existing corridor of 110kV SBT-2 SC line from 220/110/66/11kV MRS Shivamogga to 220/110/11kV Kadur Station along with construction of 1 No. of 110kV Terminal Bay, each at 220kV MRS, Shivamogga & 220kV Kadur stations to terminate 2nd circuit of 110kV SBT-2 line in Shivamogga.
3. **Approximate Length of 110KV DC Line:** 60.28 Kms.
4. **Proposed 110KV Line Passing through areas:-**

District	Taluk	Hobli	Village
Shivamogga	Shivamogga, Bhadravati	Nidige, Siddapura,	MRS Colony, Harige, Nidige, Machenahalli, Siddapura, Kadadakatte, jedikatte
Chikkamagaluru	Tarikere, Birur, Kadur	M C Halli, Birur Hobli, Koratigere	Jannapura, Tarikere, Halliyur, Bettadahalli, H Rangapura, Chatnahalli, Shivapura, Doddagatta, Biruru, Byagadehalli

KPTCL shall have and exercise all powers which the telegraph authorities possess under part III of the Indian Telegraphs Act 1885(13 of 1885) for implementation of the above said scheme. Any objectors regarding the above scheme shall be sent to the office of the undersigned, **within 30 days** from the date of publication of this notification for KPTCL's pursuance.

Sd/-, Executive Engineer (Ele),
Chikkamgaluru Major works Division KPTCL,
B.H. Road, MRS Complex, Shivamogga.

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ಕ್ರಸಂ : ಕಾನಿಇಂಧಾ/ಪಿಬಿ–4/ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ/2020–21/2279 ದಿನಾಂಕ : 10.08.2020

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UNICEF USA announced its first major programme supporting children in the United States. Michael Nyenhuis, UNICEF USA's president and CEO, said his agency will be investing $1 million this year on an initiative to help US cities become more child-friendly.

Mental well-being lowest in youth

One in two young people subject to anxiety or depression, while 17 % probably affected by it

HEALTH CRISIS

UNITED NATIONS: Half of the world's youth population are subject to anxiety or depression-causing circumstances and more than a third are uncertain of their future career prospects due to the Covid-19 pandemic, according to a survey by the International Labour Organisation (ILO).

The ILO's 'Youth and Covid-19: impacts on jobs, education, rights and mental well-being' survey found that if urgent action is not taken, youths are at the risk of suffering severe and long-lasting adverse impacts from the pandemic.

"The Covid-19 pandemic has disrupted every aspect of our lives. Even before the onset of the crisis, the social and economic integration of young people was an ongoing challenge. Now, unless urgent action is taken, young people are likely to suffer severe and long-lasting impacts from the pandemic,' the report said on Tuesday.

> **Severe disruption to learning and working, compounded by the health crisis, has seen a deterioration in young people's mental well-being.**
>
> United Nations

The ILO survey aimed to capture the immediate effects of the pandemic on the lives of youths (aged 18 to 29 years) with regard to employment, education, mental health, rights and social activism. Over 12,000 responses were received from 112 countries, with a large proportion coming from educated youths with access to the Internet.

The survey found that one in two (i.e., 50 per cent) young people across the world are possibly subject to anxiety or depression, while 17 per cent are probably affected by it. "Severe disruption to learning and working, compounded by the health crisis, has seen a deterioration in young people's mental well-being," the survey said.

Mental well-being is lowest for young women and youth between the ages of 18 and 24 years. Young people whose education or work was either disrupted or had stopped completely were almost twice as likely to be affected by anxiety or depression as compared to those who continued to be employed or whose education was not affected.

"This underscores the interlinkages that exist between mental well-being, educational success and labour market integration," it said.

Among those who thought that their education would be delayed or might fail, 22 per cent were likely to be affected by anxiety or depression, compared to 12 per cent of students whose education remained on track.

According to the report, 38 per cent of young people are uncertain of their future career prospects, with the Covid-19 crisis expected to create more obstacles in the labour market and to lengthen the transition from school to work. The coronavirus, which first emerged in Wuhan, has claimed over 7.4 lakh lives with more than 20 million cases across the world so far. The ILO survey said some youths have already felt the direct impact of the pandemic.

COVID-19

Scientists find viable treatment pathway

RAY OF HOPE

WASHINGTON: Scientists have uncovered a new vulnerability in the spike protein of the novel coronavirus, which enables the virus to enter host cells, an advance that may lead to potential treatment pathways against Covid-19.

The researchers, including those from Northwestern University in the US, noted that the spike protein contains the virus' binding site, which adheres to host cells and enables it to enter and infect the body.

In the study, published in the *ACS Nano*, they used simulations of this protein at ultrasmall scales, in the order of nanometres, and discovered a positively charged site — known as the polybasic cleavage site — located 10 nanometers from the actual binding site on the spike protein.

They said this positively charged site allows strong bonding between the novel coronavirus SARS-CoV-2's spike protein and the negatively charged human-cell receptors.

Leveraging this discovery, the scientists then designed a negatively charged molecule to bind to the positively charged cleavage site. They said blocking this site inhibits the virus from bonding to the host cell.

"Our work indicates that blocking this cleavage site may act as a viable prophylactic treatment that decreases the virus' ability to infect humans," said Monica Olvera de la Cruz, a co-author of the study.

EXFILE

The meltdown we can't afford

As global temperatures rise and more sea ice melts, the effects of climate change will only become more disastrous. In a recent study, researchers have warned that Arctic sea ice could be non-existent by 2035...

THE STUDY

Academics utilised a climate modelling tool created by the Met Office to find out how the Arctic responded during a period of warming 127,000 years ago.

These historical results were then used to create predictions of the future and reveal it is likely there will be no sea ice in the Arctic in 15 years' time.

The culprit is strong springtime sunshine which creates pools of water known as 'melt ponds' that soak up heat from the sun and then contribute to warming.

ARTIC FOX
SNOW
MELT POND
FLOTING ICE
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Satellite records show that the sea is shrinking by about 13 per cent every decade, with around half of all sea ice disappearing since the 1980s.

DISCOVERY

Researchers found that during the warm interglacial period, intense springtime sunshine created pools of water as ice melted.

These meltwater pools cause more ice to melt as they do not reflect as much sunlight as intact ice.

SIGNIFICANCE OF ARTCIC SEA

- Arctic sea ice plays an essential role in the world's ecosystems and its melting will not only contribute to surging sea levels but render many species homeless.
- Polar bears, for example, are utterly reliant on Arctic sea ice to live as they use the ice to stalk and hunt prey. A recent study found most polar bear populations are at risk of dying out by 2100 because of a loss of sea ice.
- This timeline is likely to be accelerated should the new prediction of 2035 prove accurate.

WHAT IS ARCTIC AMPLIFICATION

Most of the sun's rays and energy are absorbed by the water due to climate change, warming more ice, and contributing to a phenomenon known as Arctic amplification.

This was deemed to be a major factor in the sea ice melt more than 100,000 years ago, and a similar preponderance of meltwater pools has been spotted today in satellite imagery.

MELT PONDS OCCURANCE

Melt ponds takes place in the Arctic's late spring and summer, when rain and melting ice and snow gather into shallow pools of blue.

Slightly darker than the ice surrounding them, these scattered bodies of water reduce surface reflectance and absorb significantly more solar radiation than the frozen ground.

LOWEST IN SEPTEMBER

September is the month where sea ice is always at its lowest level, following months of summer temperatures.

> **High temperatures in the Arctic have puzzled scientists for decades. Unravelling this mystery was technically and scientifically challenging. For the first time, we can begin to see how the Arctic became sea ice-free during the last interglacial.**
>
> Joint lead author Dr Maria Vittoria Guarino

Companies to test antibody drug for virus

NEXT BEST

WASHINGTON: With a coronavirus vaccine still months off, companies are rushing to test what may be the next best thing: drugs that deliver antibodies to fight the virus right away, without having to train the immune system to make them.

Antibodies are proteins the body makes when an infection occurs; they attach to a virus and help it be eliminated. Vaccines work by tricking the body into thinking there's an infection so it makes antibodies and remembers how to do that if the real bug turns up.

But it can take a month or two after vaccination or infection for the most effective antibodies to form. The experimental drugs shortcut that process by giving concentrated versions of specific ones that worked best against the coronavirus in lab and animal tests.

"A vaccine takes time to work, to force the development of antibodies. But when you give an antibody, you get immediate protection," said University of North Carolina virologist Dr Myron Cohen. "If we can generate them in large concentrations, in big vats in an antibody factory ... we can kind of bypass the immune system." These drugs are believed to last for a month or more and could give quick, temporary immunity to people at high risk of infection, such as health workers and housemates of someone with Covid-19.

If they proved effective and if a vaccine doesn't materialize or protect as hoped, the drugs might eventually be considered for wider use, perhaps for teachers or other groups. They're also being tested as treatments, to help the immune system and prevent severe symptoms or death.

BONDING WITH BABY

A five-month-old female baby orangutan with her mother at Taman Safari Zoo in Pasuruan, Indonesia, on Wednesday | AFP

Virus-blocking bus shelter in South Korea

HIGH-TECH

SEOUL: South Korea has opened a high-tech new front in the battle against coronavirus, fortifying bus shelters with temperature-checking doors and ultraviolet disinfection lamps. Ten advanced facilities have been installed in a northeastern district of Seoul, offering protection from monsoon rains, summer heat, and the novel coronavirus.

To enter, passengers must stand in front of an automated thermal-imaging camera, and the door will only slide open if their temperature is below 37.5 degrees celsius. A separate camera is installed lower down to test children.

Inside the glass-walled booths — which cost about $84,000 each — the air-conditioning systems have ultraviolet lamps installed to kill viruses at the same time as cooling the air. A dispenser provides hand sanitiser, and users are advised to wear face masks at all times, while keeping at least one metre apart from others. "We have installed all the available anti-coronavirus measures we can think of into this booth," Kim Hwang-yun, a district official in charge of the Smart Shelter project, told AFP.

Free Wi-Fi is also included. Since they were installed last week each booth has been used by about 300 to 400 people a day, Kim said. A panel displays estimated arrival times while a screen live-streams the traffic outside.

South Korea endured one of the worst early virus outbreaks outside China but brought it broadly under control with an extensive "trace, test and treat" programme while never imposing a compulsory lockdown.

Kim Ju-li, a housewife using the new bus stop for the first time, said: "I feel safe in here because I know others around me had their temperatures checked as well as me."

Way to track drug levels

SMART WATCH

Researchers demonstrated that drug levels inside the body can be tracked in real-time using a smartwatch that analyses the chemicals found in sweat. This technology could be incorporated where a drug and dosages can be tailored to an individual, a study in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences said*. Because of their small molecular sizes, drugs end up in a sweat, where their concentrations reflect the drugs' circulating levels.

Applications for homeschooling surge during pandemic in US

COVID IMPACT

LONDON: As parents nationwide prepare to help their children with more distance learning, a small but quickly growing number are deciding to take matters entirely into their own hands and begin homeschooling. Some are worried their districts are unable to offer a strong virtual learning program. For others who may have been considering homeschooling, concerns for their family's health amid the coronavirus and the on-again, off-again planning for in-person instruction are leading them to part ways with school systems.

Mindy Kroesche, a freelance writer Nebraska, had been leaning toward homeschooling her 12-year-old son, who has autism and ADHD diagnoses that made middle school a challenge. But she always felt her 10-year-old daughter was "built for school." Now with the pandemic raging, she is pulling them both out for the year.

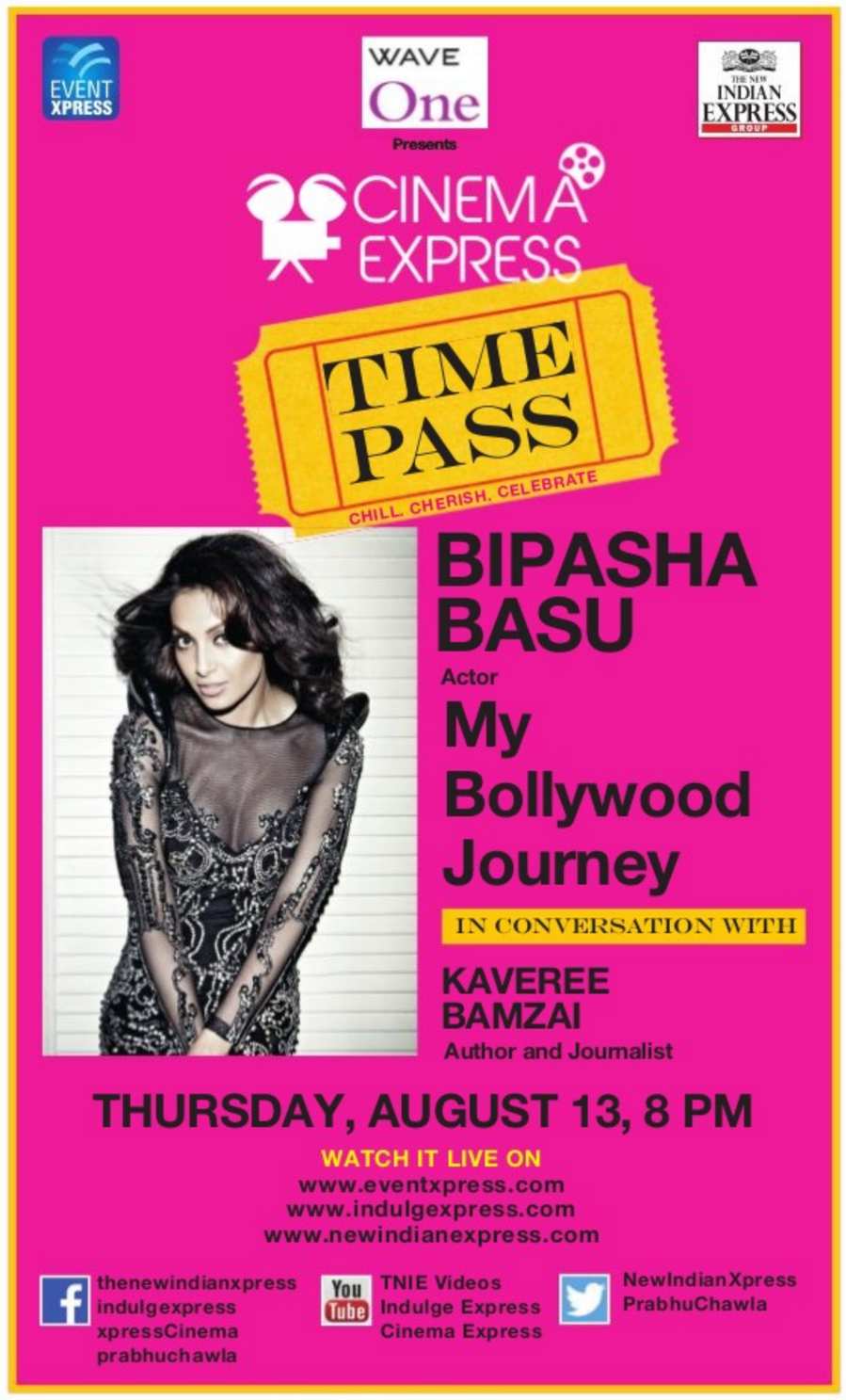
"We just saw that with her wearing a mask for the entire day, that would make learning more difficult for her," she said. "It was going to be such a different environment. We didn't think it would be as beneficial for her."

Homeschooling applications are surging in states including Nebraska, where they are up 21 per cent, and Vermont, where they are up 75 per cent. In North Carolina, a rush of parents filing notices that they planned to homeschool overwhelmed a government website last month.

There were about 2.5 million homeschool students last year in grades K-12 in the US, making up about three per cent to four per cent of school-age children, according to the National Home Educators Research Institute. Brian Ray, the group's president, is anticipating that their numbers will increase by at least 10 per cent.

"One day the school district says X and four days later they say Y," Ray said. "And then the governor says another thing and then that changes what the school district can do. And parents and teachers are tired of what appear to be arbitrary and capricious decisions. They are tired of it and saying we are out of here."

Interest in homeschooling materials also has been surging, driven in part by parents who are keeping their children enrolled in schools but looking for ways to supplement distance learning. The National Home School Association received more than 3,400 requests for information on a single day last month, up from between five and 20 inquiries per day before the coronavirus.



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DAY'S DIARY

Birth anniversary

Film director Alfred Hitchcock was born on this day in 1899. His films have a macabre sense of humour and a bleak view of human condition

MAKING FILMS

The first film he made, *Rebecca* (1940), won an Academy Award for best picture. Some of his most famous films include *Psycho* (1960), *The Birds* (1963) and *Marnie* (1964)

PRAISES AND CRITICISM

His films gained immense popularity but were despised by a few. Among them was Walt Disney, who thought *Psycho* was disgusting and didn't let Hitchcock film in Disneyland

AWARDS

Hitchcock collected many professional accolades including two Golden Globes, eight Laurel Awards, and five lifetime achievement awards

Phantom's makers to unveil Nirup Bhandari's first look

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PALETTE OF HOPE

Here is a chance for you to bring home works of acclaimed artists while you contribute towards studies of kids in need

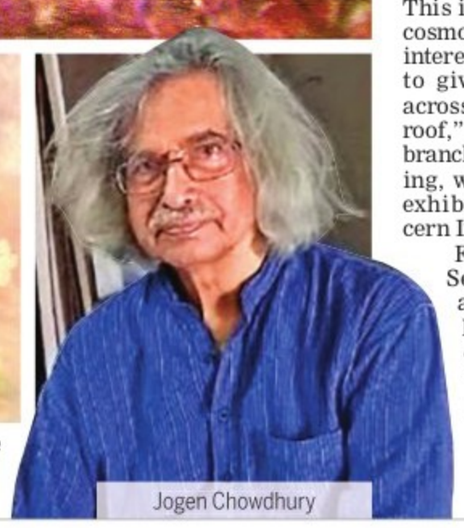
• **Vidya Iyengar**

Here's something interesting for art lovers to look forward to. On August 21, works of 25 prominent artists will be exhibited. The lineup includes works of artists like Akbar Padamsee, GS Shenoy, JMS Mani, Manu Parekh, T Vaikuntam, amonga host of others. The only difference in this new world is that viewing is in the online space. "Through this art exhibition, we want to bring the works of prominent artists on one forum. Although we've titled it The Bengaluru Story, we have artists from across the country. This is because the city has a cosmopolitan crowd, which is interested in diverse works. It's to give a taste of art from across India under the online roof," says Sankalita Das, the branch manager of Secure Giving, which is organising this exhibition in aid of the Concern India Foundation.

From Sri Lankan artist Senaka Senanaike's characteristic work depicting lush flora, to FN Souza's classic strokes, and Ganesh Pyne's work in pen and ink on graph paper, the art show attempts to showcase variety. "There's a difference in organising this online and offline. In this new method, we have to keep in mind the attention span of people, which is why we have limited the number of works to 25. In an offline show, up to 75 works can be put on display," Das explains. Other artists include Nikhil Chaganlal, whose multilayered work on masonite of Goa will be on display; GS Shenoy; and Jogen Chowdhury. K Laxma Goud's sculpture on the wooden medium is also a part of the show.

The art show also aims to raise funds to help students affected by the pandemic. "This situation has locked us in the confines of our homes, so at this point more than any other, we need to indulge in creative art forms. In our outreach programmes we found that many students are dropping out of school, because they don't own digital devices. One of the areas we are working on is education, and we plan to help young boys and girls in Karnataka continue their education," says Das. All the works are originals, and are priced between ₹35,000 and ₹2 lakh. "In instances where the artist has passed on, we have connected with their families to source works," she says.

The show is on between August 21 and 25, and can be viewed on artforconcern's website.



Jogen Chowdhury

Artworks by (1) Nikhil Chaganlal (2) Asit Patnaik (3) Senaka Senanaike (4) Sivanesan (5) Rajini Rekha

KNOW YOUR CITY

Answers

The correct answers are

1. Nandi Hills
2. Sir KP Puttanna Chetty
3. 1898

Here are the first three respondents: 1) Ranganath Sadasiva 2) Rajkumar Dugar 3) Nitasha Bansal

Mention Bengaluru, and the first images that come to mind are its heritage buildings, IT parks and weather, not to mention the pub culture. But how familiar are you with the city's history? Take part in our weekly quiz series, curated by city-based history researcher Arun Prasad, to learn more about namma Ooru. It will be published every Wednesday. Send answers to bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com with the subject line 'Know Your City Quiz'. Correct answers and names of the first three respondents will be featured in CE on Thursday.

COVID CARE
SALON SAFETY
Book a prior appointment, and try to take one during a non-rush hour
Make sure the salon enforces safety protocols, especially distancing between clients
Carry your own sanitiser and if possible, a pocket surface disinfectant. Take a towel along with you
While you are waiting, say, for your hair colour to set, try to be outdoors.
Wear a mask and request your stylist to wear one as well
Check if the salon has a safety screen
Make sure that the high contact areas are cleaned and sanitised before your session.
Opt for wax strips instead of threading
There should be no double-dipping into wax. For every wooden applicator that is first placed into the wax and makes contact with skin, proper disposal should happen immediately after. While not eco-friendly, it's a must to prevent the spread of bodily germs from client to client.
Do not take anyone with you to prevent exposing others in a public spot
Shower upon returning
Check with the salon about requirements--some require you to sign a declaration, others require the Aarogya Setu app
Ask if you can take your own scissors and combs

GRAPHIC: AMOL VYAVHARE

Native network

Mayank Bidawatka (left) and Aprameya Radhakrisha

• **Pallavi Srivastava**

Through the years of its widening reach, aficionados as well as critics of social media platforms have agreed on one thing -- that it has democratised expression of opinion. Turns out, there is a lot of scope left to expand the web to more users. This is what the founders of Koo App aim to do with their micro-blogging site, which enables Indians to express themselves in local languages. It was recently selected among the winners of the government's Digital India AatmaNirbhar Bharat Innovate Challenge.

Koo, which was launched in March, is available in Hindi, Kannada, Tamil and Telugu. "Just 10 per cent of our country understands English. Over a billion speak one of the hundreds of languages and dialects that we have," says Mayank Bidawatka, who co-founded the platform with Aprameya Radhakrishna. "Twitter largely caters to the English-speaking urban audiences. Catering to regional audiences needs a fair amount of Indianisation of the product," adds the city-based entrepreneur, who is upbeat about being one of the 24 winners from 7,000 entries. The innovation challenge was held to identify the best Indian apps in eight categories that are already being used by citizens and can become world-class platforms. Koo shared the second spot in the social networking category with the writing app, YourQuote, while short video app Chingari stood first.

The idea for Koo struck the founders after they came up with Vokal, an expert-based knowledge-sharing platform in Indian languages. "There was no microblog for regional Indian language speakers," says Bidawatka, a graduate from Asian Institute of Management, Manila, and a former banker. They made the product in some months and first test-marketed it in micro-geographies. So far, Koo has had about eight lakh downloads, and the founders hope to cross 1 million by August-end.

The app has various features like a keyboard that auto-transliterates the English script to the target Indian language. Its people feed shows the top creators, and users can view who visited their profile. Creators can 'koo' through 400 characters of text or 1-minute audio or video. "All instructions are in Indian languages," says Bidawatka, revealing that while he uses the platform in Hindi, Radhakrishna 'koos' mostly in Kannada.

"Koo already has Union Ministers Ravi Shankar Prasad and Mansukh Mandaviya, Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister Ashwath Narayan, and celebrities like Anil Kumble, Javagal Srinath, Sadhguru, Ashutosh Rana and Ashish Vidyarthi using it. They have seen more traction on Koo because of the use of an Indian language," says Bidawatka, who hopes that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will join soon too. "There are very few platforms that prominent Indian personalities can use," he adds. "They'd love to use Koo because it helps connect the best of India with the rest of India."

ON A NEW ROLE

Once you sign your first movie, you become an insider: Chunky Pandey

• **Express Features**

Chunky Pandey has been in the movie business for almost 40 years. Once billed among the biggest stars, his recent roles have swayed between the comedic (*Housefull 1-4*) and the villainous (*Prasthanam, Saaho*). In the latest edition of Time Pass, a series of webinars organised by The New Indian Express group, the actor spoke at length with senior journalist Kaveree Bamzai about his career, his imminent OTT debut, and the much-discussed insider-outsider debate.

Chunky began by noting that he was probably in the most exciting stage of his career. "I started my innings by playing the good guy, but after some time, I wasn't getting interesting roles and felt that I was being typecast. So I moved to the Bangladeshi film industry where I delivered several hits and became a household name," he reminisced.

TIME PASS

Comedies brought him back to success in Bollywood: his Indo-Italian caricature 'Akhri Pasta' became a draw in the long-running *Housefull* franchise. "In the early 2000s, when my wife wanted me to return to my Hindi roots, I knew that I would have been forgotten. So I was keen on doing comical roles and the decision did pay off. I had a great second run. Now again, after a decade, getting into the digital space that doesn't limit me as an actor excites me. It's the golden age of entertainment, and it's continuously booming. I can't wait to plunge in," he said.

Everyone has a different career graph. You just cannot compare the journeys of two people
— Chunky Pandey, actor

Chunky went on to reveal that the role that he's playing in his OTT debut, *Abhay 2*, is something he hasn't done before. "My character looks normal, but not when it comes to finding ways to feed his cannibal instinct. I modelled the Jekyll-Hyde type of character on an old school teacher of mine. The whole process was captivating," he commented.

When asked about his choice of taking up the 'acting' profession, especially when both his parents were doctors, Chunky reasoned that he was never cut out for the medical profession. "When I told my father about my decision, he wanted me to formally equip myself. After a lot of auditions, I finally met the producer of my debut film, Pahlaj Nihalani, in the restroom of a five-star hotel, and he asked me to come to his office the next day," he said.

The conversation veered towards the insider-outsider debate that has been raging these days. "In the four decades that I've been in the industry, I haven't felt such a difference. When you sign your first film, you become an insider. Everyone has a different career graph. You just cannot compare the journeys of two people. It's all about hard work and perseverance here," he said.

QUICK FIX

What's cooking IN YOUR KITCHEN DURING THIS LOCKDOWN?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

PEANUT CANDY

INGREDIENTS

- **Roasted peanuts:** 100gm
- **Jaggery:** 1/4 cup syrup with 5 tbsp jaggery

METHOD

- Peel the skin of peanuts. Crush a little using a rolling pin.
- Make a thick jaggery syrup on a low flame.
- Then, add the peanuts to the syrup.
- Mix and remove from the gas stove.

TIP

- To check if the jaggery syrup is done, put little jaggery in a vessel filled with water. If the jaggery doesn't float then it's done.

NATURE TALK

COMMUNITY RESERVE

A wilderness which a community or individual has volunteered to conserve – to protect its "fauna, floa and traditional or cultural conservation values and practices" (wildlife protection act, sec 36 c). A community reserve (CR) lies outside a national park or wildlife sanctuary. It is declared by the state and managed jointly with the local people who've volunteered to conserve it. CRs were brought into the law in 2002, and are a powerful legal provision by which wildernesses can remain protected commons, in a bottom-up participatory way.There are 127 CRs in india – 65 in Meghalaya, 57 in Nagaland, three in Punjab, one in Kerala and Karnataka respectively. Although there are numerous communities across india which have longstanding and unique conservation traditions, community reserves in other states are yet to be actualised.

—By M Yuvan

BRIGHT SPOT

PAINTING FOR RELIEF

Daisy Watt, the ten-year-old 'mini Monet' from England, started painting four years ago when two of her grandparents were diagnosed with cancer. She painted a picture to cheer them up. Her mother, Karen, spotted her talent, and asked if she'd like to paint a canvas to be displayed at a local gallery and auctioned for cancer charities. The work featured forget-me-nots for those who had died and bright flowers for those who survived sold for £9,500. From then on, she has earned £50,000 through her artwork – and donated it all to charity. Daisy's paintings always feature flowers, and she loves nothing more than heading to the garden with her paints. Daisy now spends most days painting. She's auctioned dozens of works – around 25 – for charity, and has sold one-off originals, and prints which go for £100 a piece. During lockdown, she painted a rainbow of miniature daisies, as a tribute to frontline workers, and raised £1,700 for the NHS with magnets and cards of the design.

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POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

BELL BOTTOM
Divakara, the son of a policeman, aspires to be a detective since his childhood. When he becomes a constable, he finally gets his chance at being a detective to solve a robbery case.
- Cast: Rishab Shetty, Haripriya

KIRIK PARTY
Karna, a first-year engineering student, falls in love with Saanvi, a final-year pupil from his college. However, a tragic event changes his perception towards life and he mends his ways.
- Cast: Rakshit Shetty, Rishab Shetty, Abhijith Mahesh

NATHICHARAMI
A widow struggles with the dilemma of her own growing sexual needs, and her desire to remain faithful to the memory of her late husband.
- Cast: Sruthi Hariharan, Sanchari Vijay

VAALU
Sharp, an unemployed youth, falls in love with Priya, and learns that she is engaged to her maternal uncle who is an influential thug. Sharp struggles to win Priya's love against all odds.
- Cast: Silambarasan, Santhanam, Hansika Motwani, Vijay Chander

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WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 WHAT WE LEARNED FROM 5 MILLION BOOKS
BY EREZ LIEBERMAN AIDEN & JEAN-BAPTISTE MICHEL
Erez Lieberman Aiden and Jean-Baptiste Michel show us how Google Labs' Ngram Viewerworks, and a few of the surprising things we can learn from 500 billion words.

2 WHY THE INSECT BRAIN IS SO INCREDIBLE
BY ANNA STÖCKL
There was something Charles Darwin found even more impressive than human brain: the brain of an ant, which he called "one of the most marvelous atoms of matter in the world." Anna Stöckl takes us inside the tiny but mighty insect brain.

3 ETHICAL DILEMMA: THE BURGER MURDERS
BY GEORGE SIEDEL AND CHRISTINE LADWIG
You founded a company that manufactures meatless burgers. But in recent news three people in one city died after eating your burgers. A criminal has injected poison into it! The sales have plummeted. How do you deal with the crisis? George Siedel and Christine Ladwig explore the different strategies of this ethical dilemma.

4 LET'S SCAN THE WHOLE PLANET WITH LIDAR
BY CHRIS FISHER
We have archives of films, newspapers, even seeds – what if we could make one for the earth? Drawing on his experience, mapping an ancient city in the Honduran jungle, archaeologist Chris Fisher makes the case for scanning the whole planet with LiDAR – a technology that uses lasers shot from an airplane to map the ground – to preserve our cultural and ecological heritage.

5 THE FIGHT FOR CIVIL RIGHTS AND FREEDOM
BYJOHN LEWIS AND BRYAN STEVENSON
In this conversation with lawyer and activist Bryan Stevenson, the late civil rights leader and longtime US Congressman John Lewis discusses the importance of voting.

FIT BIT

PARIGHASANA

(GATE POSE)

In Sanskrit, 'parigha' refers to 'the bar that closes a gate' and 'asana' means 'pose'. It's also known as Beam Pose. It is a simple pose. This asana is a good entry point into pranayama breathing exercises and meditation. It also works to open up the Muladhara (root), Manipura (solar plexus) and Anahata (heart) chakras. Energising these chakras increases one's sense of groundedness, stability, emotional wellness, openness, self-acceptance and love.

STEPS

- Kneel on the floor.
- Now, spread your right leg out to your right side and press your foot flat on the floor, so that your right knee is towards the ceiling. Right leg should be parallel to the left knee.
- Inhale and begin extending your left arm up, close to your left ear. Your palm should face up and down. The shoulder blade should be firmly pressed against the back.
- Exhale and turn to the right side, the chest should be perpendicular to the floor. Place the right palm down on the right leg.
- Look upwards by keeping the back of your neck elongated.
- Now breathe and hold for 5-8 breaths.
- If your body is comfortable in this position, let it remain for a long time before coming back to normal.
- To perform this asana, it is necessary to maintain a balanced body, which is not possible at first. Regular practise of Muarasan helps to do this easily.
- To exit this pose, inhale, extending out the top arm and come back to the centre.
- Repeat the stretch on your other side.

BENEFITS

- Opens the sides, lower ribs, arms and shoulder.
- Helps in delivering oxygen to the parts that usually receive less.
- Nourishes abdominal organs.
- Cures cold, flu, asthma, allergies, and improves digestion.
- Cleans the circulatory system.
- Stimulates the lungs and stretches muscles in the torso too.
- Helps to build confidence.
- Increases flexibility of the spine.
- Stretches calves and hamstrings.
- A boon for people with a desk job.
- By practising this, you can avoid all the problems related to the waist.

LIMITATIONS

- Avoid if you have a serious knee injury, and kneeling problems. People suffering from back, neck pain and chronic knee injury or inflammation should avoid this.
- If you have stomach ulcer problems or have had any operation, avoid this.

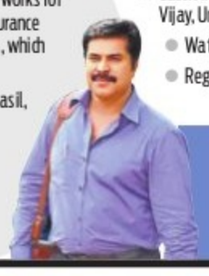
– By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

DEVAKI (Kannada)
In this crime-thriller, a mother, who is a single parent, sets out on a quest to find her missing daughter in the city of Kolkata.
- Cast: Priyanka Upendra, Kishore
- Watch on: Amazon Prime
- Registration: ₹ 129 per month

IMMANUEL (Malayalam)
Immanuel's life takes an odd turn when the publishing firm that he works for shuts down. He gets a job in an insurance company but faces severe hardships, which end up changing him as a person.
- Cast: Reenu Mathews, Fahadh Faasil, Mammootty, Salim Kumar
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar
- Registration: ₹399 per year



FACE 2 FACE (Kannada)
Santosh and Preethi love each other, but a strange incident happens in Preethi's life and changes the lives of everyone around her. The story enfolds Santosh's struggle to get her love back. The story takes interesting twists and turns as Santosh struggles to solve the mysteries of their lives
- Cast: Rohit Bhanuprakash, Divya Uruduga, Purvi Joshi
- Watch on: Amazon Prime
- Registration: ₹ 129 per month

MOUNA GURU (Tamil)
Karunakaran is an intelligent youth who cannot tolerate injustice. He leaves his home town and joins college in Chennai. Unfortunate circumstances involve him with a bunch of corrupt, thieving cops.
- Cast: Arulnithi, Iniya, John Vijay, Uma Riyaz Khan
- Watch on: MXPlayer
- Registraton: Free

HOTEL CALIFORNIA (Malayalam)
Jimmy, a petty thief, is tasked with smuggling the print of an unreleased film out of the city. His journey, however, is peppered with several confusing situations.
- Cast: Jayasurya, Anoop Menon, Maria Roy, Honey Rose
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar
- Registration: ₹ 399 per year

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

BEGUM JAAN (Hindi)
Begum Jaan runs a brothel in villages along the Radcliffe Line. However, she desperately strives to save her declining business amidst the changing political scenario during the partition of India.
- Cast: Vidya Balan, Pallavi Sharda, Gauhar Khan, Naseeruddin Shah
- Watch on: Amazon Prime
- Registration: ₹129 per month

ANUKUNNADI OKKATI AYYANDHI OKATI (Telugu)
AOAO revolves around four girls who get trapped in the murder of a stripper when in Goa for a vacation. Though they manage to hide the body, police starts suspecting them.
- Cast: Siddhi Idnani, Dhanya Balakrishna, Tridha Choudhury, Komalee Prasad
- Watch on: Amazon Prime
- Registration: ₹129 per month

ENGLISH/FOREIGN

THE SECRET IN THEIR EYES
(Spanish: El secreto de sus ojos)
Decades later, a former legal counsellor revisits a homicide case in order to write a novel on it. He simultaneously deals with his feelings for his former colleague while working on the case.
- Cast: Ricardo Darín, Soledad Villamil, Pablo Rago
- Watch on: Amazon Prime
- Registration: ₹ 129 per month

MURDER BY NUMBERS (English)
The body of a young woman is found in a ditch in the woods of the small California coastal town of San Benito. A tenacious homicide detective and her new partner uncover a trail of shrewdly concealed evidence that links two brilliant young men to a murder.
- Cast: Michael Pitt, Ryan Gosling, Sandra Bullock, Ben Chaplin
- Watch on: Netflix
- Registration: ₹ 199 per month

MARVEL'S AGENT CARTER (English)
Life changes for Peggy Carter after her boyfriend Steve Rogers is feared dead. Now she leads a dual life by doing administrative work as well as working as a S.H.I.E.L.D. agent under Howard Stark.
- Cast: Hayley Atwell, Enver Gjokaj, James D'Arcy, Chad Michael Murray
- Watch on: Disney+Hotstar
- Registration: ₹ 399 per year

THE UMBRELLA ACADEMY: SEASON 2
(Series, English)
A family of former child heroes, now grown apart, must reunite to continue to protect the world.
- Cast: Aidan Gallagher, Ellen Page, Robert Sheehan, Tom Hopper
- Watch on: Netflix
- Registration: ₹ 199 per month

Representational pic | Karthik K

WEDDINGS MAY BE BACK IN ACTION BUT BEHIND THE SCENES, PHOTOGRAPHERS ARE STILL A CONCERNED LOT, FACING REDUCED BUDGETS AND FEAR OF INFECTION

WAITING FOR A HAPPILY EVER AFTER

I have rejected projects just out of fear of infection. The word spreads faster than anything else. Once you are in a crowd where someone tests positive, you are blacklisted even if you test negative

—Karthik K

A reduced guest list doesn't mean decreased work load. We still give the same number of pictures. So the post production will take nothing less than 10-15 days

—Bhushan Bagadia

• Monika Monalisa

Rameshwar G was used to getting 30 enquiries a month. The founder of Journeys by Ram, a Bengaluru-based wedding photography and film company, has got a handful of inquiries in over five months. This year has been the lowest point in his business of seven years. Like him, many other wedding photographers and filmographers are not having a great wedding season this year. Though small-scale weddings are taking place, city-based lensmen are still struggling to make ends meet.

Rameshwar explains that for companies with bigger teams and full-time roles, the situation has been far more grim. "Some team owners have exhausted their savings and are now availing loans to keep the payroll running. Freelance professionals are going through some very dire times with no earnings at all," he says, pointing towards a growing anxiety about the coming months. While weddings are taking place, the enthusiasm has diminished. "People now have just one or two events. Furthermore, since the usual jubilation that a typical Indian Wedding is known for is missing, it takes away the fun for a wedding photographer," says Rameshwar. People have also brought down their budget for photography and videography.

Bhushan Bagadia, founder of Wedding with TLC, however, points out that a reduced guest list doesn't lead to a decreased work load. "We still give the same number of pictures, whether it's fewer people or more people. So the post production will take nothing less than 10-15 days," says 37-year-old Bagadia. Some customers' budgets have come down to as low as 50 per cent of the amount he used to charge. "Earlier I used to reject the offers but now I don't because the financial crunch is bad," he says.

Though they are taking up projects, photographers are concerned about the risk of being in crowded spaces, especially at a time when the number of Covid cases is going up drastically. Karthik K says, "I have taken a couple of projects but have rejected many just out of fear of infection. The word spreads faster than anything else. Once you are in a crowd where someone tests positive, you are blacklisted even if you test negative. The stigma that comes with it is irreversible."

Weaving nostalgia through fashion

STYLE AND THE CITY
Sarayu Hegde

Everyone loves a great story especially when the narrative has the power to transport you from the real to an imagined bygone era, when the imagined was once real. Powerful narratives rich in culture, history and heritage from the Vedic era to the dynasties of kings and queens, emperors and invaders, the British Raj and the Partition or something as recent as the childhood memories of our parents/grandparents have taught us how to relate to certain values and how stories have shaped our culture and life. When fashion designers and brands use these narratives, they become the storyteller, bringing to life and recreating an experience that relives a moment in history, all through their garments.

A brand's story and its narrative are as important to consumers as the products themselves. Brands today have infused their heritage and story into the digital space, resonating with today's consumers, helping them conjure up nostalgic imagery of the past and build an emotional connect with the brand. Creating a cult brand with his simplistic Indian aesthetics, Sanjay Garg of Raw Mango says, "I have always been struck by the visual imagery, uniqueness and the memories of bygone eras living in so many parts of India within India. These stories are often linked to my own journeys and experiences. In 'Heer', I was inspired by the barriers of culture, tradition and language, having witnessed my brother's marriage. The campaign for 'Between' also speaks to a very intimate experience I had during another family member's wedding."

As with their designs, spaces, imagery and more, the idea is to cater to something more than what meets the eyes, something that leaves you enveloped in an experience that is rooted in culture, heritage and history. Bridging a connect between the past and the present, Garg believes fashion today only exists within context and is extremely subjective. The brand has always tried to engage with the visual vocabulary of India through measured interventions within traditional practices. Be it design, material, tools, technique or colour, revisiting archival history has always been an integral part of this process. A woman who has been symbolic to Raw Mango's design inspiration is India's former Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi. She was committed to wearing handloom and consciously chose to wear handwoven saris. This decision by her and other politicians is also a reason handloom has survived. It played a role in Independence and became symbolic when worn thereafter.

Torani, launched in 2018, is a potpourri of nostalgic memories of fables that Karan Torani's grandmother told him when he was growing up. He attributes his aesthetic to the time he spent with her in her house in Bhopal. Remembering long afternoons around her house, watching her do the regular household chores wearing simple Chanderi sarees got him obsessed with the classic beauty of Indian handlooms. As a natural progression, he always found a connection with Indian looms. His newly launched collection – 'Dopahar' – tells a tale of the timeless charm of the Indian handlooms and handicrafts that surrounded him, which translates into his comfortable pieces laden with old age chintz prints that his grandma wore, to the signature *gauraiya* and *gulab* prints in Chanderi – a range soaked in nostalgia of memories that were long forgotten.

I have often wondered why one experiences a sense of emotion and empowerment while wearing a textile or garment rooted in heritage. It is like wearing something that has a soul. It is art and history and the stories of those who have come before us. Owning and wearing heritage rich clothing is a way of keeping those people, their stories and artistry alive.

(The writer is a lifestyle consultant and mindful fashion advocate)

Raw Mango's 'Heer' collection recalls pre-partition Punjab through bridal festivities; (top) Outfit from Torani's Dopahar collection

By The Way

Throwback Thursday

Raghavendra Rajkumar has the sweetest picture to share for Throwback Thursday. The actor and film producer shared a childhood picture of him and Shivarajkumar standing with Amitabh Bachchan. The black and white picture is surely filled with nostalgia, with both the boys looking extra cute.

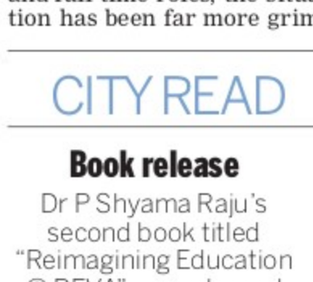
Friend in need

To give a special tribute on World Elephant day, actor Darshan Thoogudeepa Shrinivas posted a cute picture on Instagram of him with a tusker. In a message that he posted along with picture, he urged everyone to protect elephants from the threats they are currently facing.

CITY READ

Book release

Dr P Shyama Raju's second book titled "Reimagining Education @ REVA" was released at the campus of REVA University on August 10. Maintaining social distancing, the book was released by K R Ramesh Kumar, former speaker of Karnataka Legislative Assembly, in presence of the chancellor Dr P Shyama Raju, vice chancellor Dr K Mallikharjuna Babu, registrar Dr M Dhanamjaya and university directors.



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ON THE RUN, FOR A CAUSE

• Express Features

The last few months have seen the world turn upside down with the pandemic continuing to rage on. If all had gone well, marathons would have dotted the year. But this virtual marathon of sorts, called Sunfeast India Run As One, is an attempt to support those who have lost their livelihoods owing to Covid-19. "This run is not about kilometres or medals, but taking that first step of participation which will have a positive impact on society. They are looking at different pillars, including improving wellness, making social impact and creating a community," says **Vivek Singh**, joint MD of Procam International, the organiser of the initiative.

With the celebration of the 74th year of Independence, the goal is to cover the total distance between Kashmir to Kanyakumari 74 times. "Once a person registers, the walk/run will sync with the fitness apps. One can also manually update it. Right now, the wellness of each individual is key in building immunity," says Singh, adding that people across the world can participate in this movement. "Walk, run, jog or cover kilometres on a wheelchair, the idea is to restart life," he adds.

Having identified that a family of four requires ₹7,000 in metros to manage for a month, and ₹5,000 in non-metro cities, the initiative is aimed at providing support to vulnerable sections of society that have lost their livelihoods. The last-mile help will reach the needy through NGOs that have been identified. The movement will begin on August 15 and will end on September 13. "We are doing it for an extended period so that it builds a habit. We are hoping that people will continue to do some sort of exercise," he says.

Participants can register at a fee starting at ₹99 upwards, and can pledge to walk, run or jog. Donations can also be made beyond the registration fee.

TOPPERS

94.4% Rahul V

Amara Jyothi English School, K R Puram (SSLC)

93.28% Sanjay K

92.32% Sanjana Madhu

91.4% Akshay G L

91.2% Nanditha M Rathod

91.4% Tanaya S

90.88% Thasmiya S

PIXIE SECRETS

When skincare meets homemade alcohol

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The writer loves to over-share, drink wine & watch period dramas

It's time for a sharing circle! This is a safe space, and the circle has no beginning or end. Let's hold hands (in the middle of a pandemic — how wild!) and tell each other things. I'll go first. A few years back, I found myself at a party with members of an indie band which I hadn't really heard of. It was the kind of party which had good music, fun snacks and fire jugglers (because alcohol and fire is a great combination.) This evening was made better when one of the band members supplied free alcohol which he made himself. You see, he couldn't legally sell the stuff so he just gave it all away because he loved making it. It tasted like bad decisions and coconut punch...really, really strong punch.

Fast forward a few hours, I'm on a docked boat, trying to spot the Ursa Major as the sun came up. Eventually, my shoe (singular) and I found our way back home, and my hungover-self vowed never to consume DIY coconut punches. In case you're wondering why I'm telling you this, it's because this is exactly how you should treat your skincare. Treat skincare like you would homemade coconut punch. Allow me to explain.

Whenever you're buying a new product, you must go low and slow. Why? Because there are no "backsies" in skincare... or shots of homemade alcohol. Be super aware and careful about how you mix certain homemade ingredients, and understand that you can't take back overuse of an active, you'll just have to ride it out.

Representational pic

Here is some context: You take one shot of the said coco punch and think about how it's so little and nice smelling. You wait a little while and might not feel much so you take three more. Ten minutes later, you're having dissociative problems (or fun, really- whatever floats your boat!) While you're not going to have any hallucinogenic problems with retinol, I still see this happening a lot. People using retinol for a week, aren't feeling any sensitivity or seeing life-changing results so they decide to triple the dosage and frequency. You're only going to end up ripping your face off or burning yourself — this is coming from experience.

Here's the thing: You didn't beat the retinol just like you didn't beat the alcohol. If you wouldn't take 30 shots of tequila at one go, take it easy with incorporating 15 actives and acids into your routine at one point of time. This includes being aggressive with retinol not knowing how your skin will react. So there you go: Skip the lemons and essential oils and take it easy! There's no rush in skincare.

While I may joke about alcohol and beauty, it's important to know that people are still in jail serving sentences for petty crimes like consumption of alcohol, merely because they are not in a position to furnish bail and get released from judicial custody. Preshti is a great non-profit organisation which does incredible things to rehabilitate and improve the conditions of these prisoners in India. Thanks for listening, don't throw a tub of retinol on your face.

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DHANANJAY, RACHITA RAM'S FILM TITLED *MONSOON RAAGA*

An official announcement will be made by production house Vikhyath Chitra on actor Dhananjay's birthday on August 23, the film's first look will also be revealed then

• A Sharadhaa

The new film starring Dhananjay and Rachita Ram, helmed by *Pushpaka Vimana* director S Ravindranath and produced by Vikhyath Chitra, is speculated to be titled *Monsoon Raaga*. An official announcement about this will be made by the production house on August 23, on the occasion of Dhananjay's birthday. The film's first look will also be revealed then, and the team is busy with getting a photo shoot done for that. While Rachita Ram had previously worked with S Ravidranath, this is the first for Dhananjay will team up with the director and producer. The film is said to be placed in a retro backdrop. Both Dhananjay and Rachita had said earlier that they will play never-seen-before roles, raising curiosity around the film's content.

Meanwhile, there have been reports of Dhananjay and Rachita Ram teaming up for Prabhu Srinivas's upcoming venture *Daali*, produced by Yogesh Narayan, for which the team had shot a small chunk in Lucknow. However, which film will hit the screens first is not known yet. According to sources, *Monsoon Raaga* is likely to go on floors in September or October, depending on the prior commitments that need to be completed by the actors.

Vikyath Chitra has also *Inspector Vikram* lined up for release. The film, directed by Naraimsha, stars Prajwal Devaraj and Bhavana, while Darshan will make a guest appearance. The post-production work of the movie is over, but the shooting of one song is pending.

Apart from *Monsoon Raaga*, Rachita's other films are *100* and *Ek Love Ya* that are ready for release. She has also completed the shoot for her first Telugu film, *Super Machi*, and is waiting to start *April*, *Lilly*, and *Veeram*.

Dhananjay, who is waiting for *Yuvarathnaa* and *Pogaru* to release, has to complete *Badava Rascal*. The actor is also gearing up to play the role of MP Jayaraj, and the film's title will be revealed by Puneeth Rajkumar on August 15.

Dhananjay

Rachita Ram

Phantom makers to reveal Nirup Bhandari's first look today

The team of the film will introduce the character on the occasion of the actor's birthday

• CE Features

Phantom continues to create a buzz among its fans. After the introduction of Sudeep's character and the launch of the first look, a new excitement awaits Sandalwood lovers on Thursday. While there had been speculations about Nirup Bhandari being a part of the film, the actor's coming on board the project will be officially announced on August 13, on Nirup's birthday, along with the launch of the first look. Before that, however, here are a few details about Nirup's character in the adventure action drama. While Sudeep will be seen in a badass role as Vikranth Rana, it is said that Nirup plays Sanjeev Gambhira, a jovial and friendly person, residing abroad, who is on a visit to India. The makers are planning to unveil these aspects along with the first look on Thursday. Nirup, who is sharing screen space with Sudeep for the first time, has also been participating in the shoot and has completed a chunk of his portions. The actor made his debut with *Rangitaranga*, and was then seen in *Rajaratha* and *Adhi Lakshmi Purana*. He is also part of Sheetal Shetty's directorial debut, *Window Seat*. Phantom will be the actor's fifth project. He is teaming up here with his brother —director Anup Bhandari —for the third time. *Phantom* is produced by Manjunath Gowda under the banner of Shalini Arts. It has music by Ajaneesh Lokanath and cinematography by William David.

Nirup Bhandari

Srikrishna@gmail.com to be Kannada-Malayalam bilingual

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The film, directed by Nagashekar under the banner of Sandesh Productions, stars Krishna and Bhavana; it will start rolling later this month at Mysuru

Srikrishna@gmail.com, Nagashekar's romantic comedy-drama starring *Love Mocktail* hero Krishna, and Bhavana of *Tagaru* fame, will be a bilingual project made in Kannada and Malayalam. The confirmation comes from the producer, Sandesh Nagaraj, who is bankrolling the film under his banner, Sandesh Productions. Sandesh added that they plan to take the film on floors after August 16, and will begin the schedule in Mysuru. The *Sanju Weds Geetha* director is said to have come with a unique storyline, which explores the subject of extramarital affairs and live-in relationships, in which situations blend with a lot of humour. Bhavana plays the role of a lawyer. The film brings a fresh pair on the silver screen and also features Dattanna in a vital role. It will have music by Arjun Janya and camerawork by Satya Hegde.

Krishna

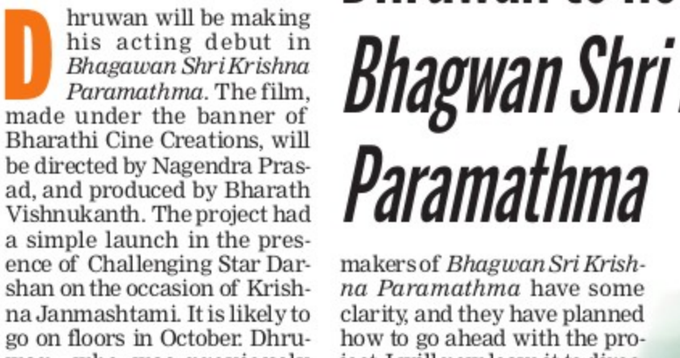
Bhavana

Dhruwan to headline *Bhagwan Shri Krishna Paramathma*

• CE Features

Dhruwan will be making his acting debut in *Bhagawan Shri Krishna Paramathma*. The film, made under the banner of Bharathi Cine Creations, will be directed by Nagendra Prasad, and produced by Bharath Vishnukanth. The project had a simple launch in the presence of Challenging Star Darshan on the occasion of Krishna Janmashtami. It is likely to go on floors in October. Dhruwan, who was previously known by the name Suraj Kumar, was initially supposed to be launched with Raghu Kovi's directorial. The film, produced by BS Sudhindra, was supposed to star Priya Varrier, and started with a grand launch in November last year, in the presence of Shivarajkumar and Darshan. However, according to Dhruwan, it did not take off as per schedule and kept getting postponed, with no updates from the producer's end. "I waited for long, but not anymore. Somewhere, I have to move ahead to start my career. The makers of *Bhagwan Sri Krishna Paramathma* have some clarity, and they have planned how to go ahead with the project. I will now leave it to director Raghu Kovi, and the producer, as to when they want to start, and I will work out the dates, provided they go on floors," explains Dhruwan.

The debutant actor is the son of producer SA Srinivas, who is the brother of Parvathamma Rajkumar. According to Dhruwan, *Bhagawan Shri Krishna Paramathma* is a love story with commercial elements, which he felt will be a perfect launch vehicle for him. "The team is in the process of finalising the rest of the cast and the technical crew," he says.


Dhruwan with actor Darshan and team

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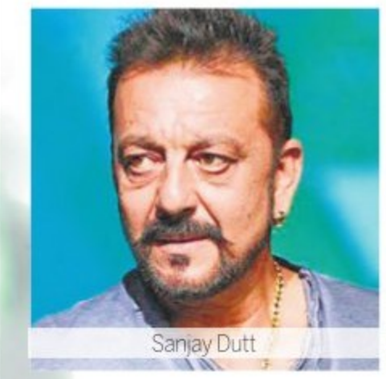
— **Dhruwan,** actor

Sanjay Dutt diagnosed with lung cancer


Sanjay Dutt

• CE Features

Actor Sanjay Dutt has been diagnosed with stage 4 lung cancer, reports state. The 61-year-old actor was rushed to the Lilavati Hospital in Mumbai after he suffered from low oxygen saturation levels and breathlessness on Sunday. He was discharged on Monday.

"Hi friends, I am taking a short break from work for some medical treatment. My friends and family are with me and I urge my well wishers not to worry or unnecessarily speculate. With your love and good wishes, I will be back soon," Sanjay said in a statement.

Akshay Kumar the only Indian in Forbes 2020 list of 10 highest paid male actors

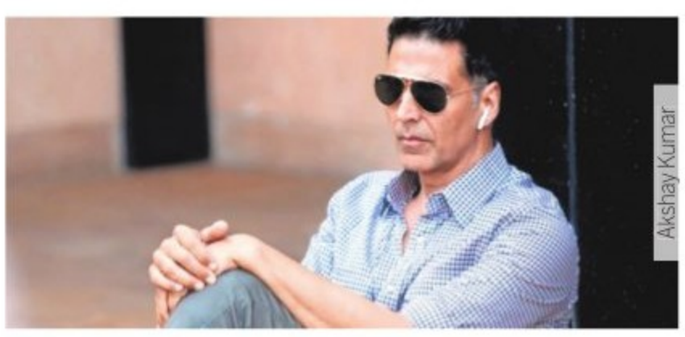
• CE Features

Akshay Kumar has been ranked sixth on Forbes' list of 10 Highest Paid Male Actors in the world for 2020. Notably, the actor is the only Indian on the list.

The 2020 list was topped by Dwayne Johnson for the second time in a row with earnings of $87.5 million. Ryan Reynolds came second with $71.5 million, with Mark Wahlberg ($58 million), Ben Affleck ($55 million), and Vin Diesel ($54 million) following him.

Akshay's earnings were estimated to be $48.5 million. The magazine also stated that the actor is reportedly getting $10 million for an upcoming web series, The End, adding that endorsements contribute the highest to his earnings. Akshay was listed fourth in last year's list.

Akshay Kumar is currently awaiting the release of Raghava Lawrence's Laxmmi Bomb, which is slated to premiere on Disney+ Hotstar. The actor also has Sooryavanshi, Atrangi Re, Bachchan Pandey, Bell Bottom, and Raksha Bandan in the pipeline.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